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Taylor Williams  
Firefighters, police, utility workers and other first responders were working a house fire with “multiple fatalities” in the 200 block of Fifth Street on Thursday in Carrollton. The fire was reported at about 6 a.m. and when firefighters arrived the home was fully engulfed.

## Firefighters working fatal fire in Carrollton

Police rescue 3-year-old from burning home

BY TAYLOR WILLIAMS  
PAXTON MEDIA GROUP

Firefighters in Carrollton were dispatched to the 200 block of Fifth Street Thursday morn-

ing for a residential fire that is believed to have resulted in “multiple fatalities.” According to Carrollton Police Department Det. Dave Roberts, the city’s 911 dispatch received a call at 6:00 a.m. reporting the structure fire. Officers arrived at the scene at 6:08 a.m. and found the home fully engulfed. Roberts said one of the police officers was “able to extract a juvenile female, approximately 3 years old, from the rear door of the residence.” However, officers were unable to make further entry into the residence due to the flames. Roberts confirmed that there were fatalities in the fire but did not identify the victims.

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Submitted  
Girls Inc of Jefferson County Program Director Christian Cull (right) receiving the national Affiliate of the Year award, small budget category, from Deb Hopkins, director of Affiliate Services & Expansion at Girls Inc, at the annual affiliates meeting in San Antonio.

## Local Girls Inc named national Affiliate Of The Year

Club received same award in 2016

BY MARK CAMPBELL

The last few years have been a trying time for most businesses and agencies — everybody for that matter — leading into, during and out of the COVID pandemic. Girls Inc of Jefferson County battled those same challenges but apparently did so very well because the national organization recently named the local club Affiliate Of The Year in the small budget category. The award was presented last month at the Girls Inc national affiliates meeting in San Antonio, just blocks from The Alamo.

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## Madison Theatre to perform ‘Harry Potter’ over two weekends

BY BOB DEMAREE

For the first time ever schools this fall are performing the Broadway play “Harry Potter and the Cursed Child” and Madison Consolidated High School was one of 29 programs granted a license. Madison Theatre students will perform the play over two weekends — Oct. 25-27 and Nov. 1-3. The Broadway version “Harry Potter and the Cursed Child” received 10 Tony nominations in 2018, winning six including Best Play. The play, which earned critical acclaim for its magic, illusions, and stage wizardry, has now been developed into a two-hour school edition. “This is one of the biggest and most amazing shows we’ve ever produced,” said Luca Alcorn, who plays Harry Potter. “It’s a one in a lifetime kind of thing because of how big the show is.” Madison Theatre earned the right to do the play through Broadway Licensing Global’s “Wands at the Ready” contest.

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Bob Demaree  
“Harry Potter and the Cursed Child” will be performed at Madison Consolidated High School’s Opal Sherman Auditorium over two weekends — Oct. 25-27 and Nov. 1-3. Pictured are the wand dancers (from left): Front — Jenna Renfrow, Sofia Bentz; Back — Maya Bullock, Zuzu Bailey, Rae Hearne, Sophia Reilmann, Riley Kuppler and Poppy Kelsey.

### CHARLIE’S BEAT



Shock Treatment’s Davy Harmon (left) and Madison Mayor Bob Courtney, who has been with the band about 10 years.

Charlie Rohlfing

## Shock Treatment to play at annual Halloween show

The history of the Ramones tribute band Shock Treatment is inexorably linked to the old JoeyG’s bar back in the early aughts. “We did a warm up show upstairs at Crystal Beach on a Friday night,” explains lead singer Davy Harmon, “Then we played our first real bar gig at JoeyG’s the next night, which happened to be Halloween Saturday, 2003. That started a Halloween tradition that continued until Joey’s passing in 2012.” I attended most if not all of those Shock Treatment shows at Joey’s, and they are some of the fondest memories I have from those early glory days of Madison’s burgeoning music scene. Everyone was in costume, the energy was off the charts, and it was all just so uniquely “Madison.” You kinda had to be there. But if you weren’t, you have another chance! Shock Treatment will be performing a benefit show at Mad Paddle Brewery on Saturday, Oct. 26, starting at 7 p.m.

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CHARLIE ROHLFING  
CHARLIE’S BEAT


### HALLOWEEN ACTIVITIES

BY THE COURIER STAFF

The festive season of Halloween is upon us with multiple activities planned over the next couple of weeks leading up to Halloween on Thursday, Oct. 31. Most communities have scheduled Trick-or-Treat for Halloween Thursday, Oct. 31 — Madison, Hanover and Patriot in Indiana and Bedford, Carrollton and Milton in Kentucky — all from 6-8 p.m. The only exception is Vevay which will have Trick-or-Treat Saturday, Oct. 26, from 6-9 p.m. The city of Madison’s Harvest Festival is Saturday, Oct. 26, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. There will be games and candy giveaways hosted by local orga-

nizations and businesses, along with bounce houses for children in Bicentennial Park. The festivities continue with a petting zoo, caramel apples and a hayride to Riverview Campground, where participants can check out the decorations and trick-or-treat.

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John Galvin

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John Hossler, MD  
Nancy Rupard  
Jacqueline Terry

Russell Tingle Jr.



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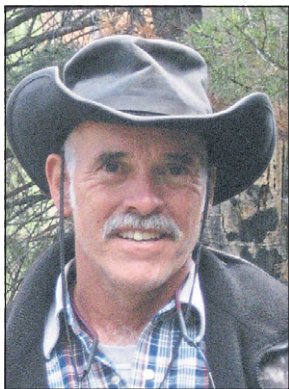


OBITUARY

Dr. John Paul Hossler

Dr. John Paul Hossler, age 75, of Madison, IN, entered this life on Jan. 28, 1949, in Troy, OH. He was the loving son of the late Horace Eugene and Edith Myra Holdeman Hossler. He graduated high school from Tecumseh High School in New Carlisle, OH, and then graduated from Miami University. He then attended the University of Cincinnati to become a medical doctor and served his residency in Rockford, IL. He was united in marriage to Colleen Ann Smith on July 3, 1970 in Cincinnati, OH, at the Bridgetown United Church of Christ. This happy union of 54 years was blessed with three daughters, Katie, Robin and Aimee and a son, Andy. After moving to Madison, IN, in 1978, he began working in family practice medicine with the Madison Clinic and then with King’s Daughters’ Hospital where he served for 44 years before retiring in 2022. He was recently honored to be added to the Hall of Fame wall at Norton King’s Daughters’ Hospital. As the Hosslers raised their family, they were active members of their community, and John stayed particularly busy as he participated in the Madison Area Bike Club (MABC), the Civil War Round Table, Voces Novae in Louisville, The Wheelmen, the Jefferson County United Way, and the Jefferson County Youth Shelter. He later served as the Jefferson County Health Officer for 12 years with the Jefferson County Health Department. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church and most recently attended Lancaster Baptist Church. He enjoyed bicycling, horseback riding, singing, attending musicals, and concerts, and going on mission trips to share his medical expertise and his faith. John took refuge in the outdoors, especially on his farm that he named “Shaggy Oaks”. He was also an avid Bengals Football and Cincinnati Reds Baseball fan, but above all loved spending time with his family. John died on Monday, Oct. 14, 2024, at 8:50 p.m. at the emergency room at King’s Daughters’ Hospital in Madison, IN.

John will be missed by his loving wife of 54 years, Colleen Ann Smith Hossler of Madison, IN; his loving daughters, Katie Hossler and her husband Josh Ash of Yellow Springs, OH, Robin Gamble and



her husband Steve of Madison, IN, Aimee Hrunek and her husband Mike of Loveland, OH; his loving son, Dr. Andy Hossler and his wife Chris of Carbondale, IL; his grandchildren, Hannah and her husband Ethan, Adin, Silas, Asher, Midian, Eden, Mercy, Carter, Keziah, Aniyah, Finley, Aubrey, Kane, and Ryce; his brothers, Rev. James “Jim” Hossler and his wife JoAnn of Franklin, NE, Rev. William “Bill” Hossler and his wife Margaret of Lowell, MI; his sisters, Esther Bailey of New Carlisle, OH, Ruth Hossler of Springfield, OH; his brother in law, Barry Smith and his wife, Debbie of Madison, IN; his sister in law, Laurie Rice and her husband, Barry of Cincinnati, OH; many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his father, Horace Eugene Hossler; his mother, Edith Myra Holdeman Hossler; his brother, Kenneth Hossler; his sister, Dr. Elizabeth Hossler; his father in law and mother in law, Chester Howard Smith, Jr., and Sue Mack Smith.

Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, Oct. 20, 2024, at 1:30 p.m., by Rev. William “Bill” Hossler and Pastor Skip Napier at Calvary Church, 2632 Michigan Road in Madison, IN. Interment will follow at a later date in the Spring Grove Cemetery in Cincinnati, OH

Friends may visit Saturday, Oct. 19, 2024, from 4 — 8 p.m. at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, IN, and Sunday, Oct. 20, 2024, from 12:30 p.m. until the time of service at Calvary Church, 2632 Michigan Road in Madison, IN

Memorial contributions may be made to Parkinson’s Foundation or the Samaritan’s Purse. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover, or at the church. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials, can be left at [www.morgan-nay.com](http://www.morgan-nay.com).

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Former Clark sheriff gets 12 years under guilty plea

‘Tarnished badge, failed everyone in law enforcement’

JEFFERSONVILLE — A former southern Indiana sheriff has been sentenced to 12 years in prison after pleading guilty to charges that he spent millions of dollars in local funds on travel, gifts, automobiles and other personal expenses.

Special Judge Larry Medlock sentenced former Clark County Sheriff Jamey Noel on Monday to 15 years in prison, but said three years of the sentence will be suspended to probation.

Medlock also ordered Noel, 53, to pay \$270,000 in fines and more than \$3 million in restitution to the agen-

cies affected by his actions, telling the former sheriff he had “tarnished the badge and failed everyone in law enforcement.”

Noel, who had served as Clark County’s sheriff from 2015-2022, pleaded guilty in August to 27 charges, including theft, official misconduct, tax evasion and money laundering. Most of the charges stem from his time as president and CEO of the Utica Township Volunteer Firefighters Association, which also does business as New Chapel Fire/EMS.

During Noel’s leadership, the firefighters association landed multiple public contracts for fire and EMS service in Clark and Floyd counties, located along the Ohio River north of Louisville, Kentucky.



Jamey Noel

Prosecutors accused Noel and his family of spending millions of dollars for personal purchases that included travel, gifts, clothing and vehicles, the News and Tribune reported. Medlock said in June that Noel had used the firefighter association’s funds as a “personal piggy bank.”

The Indiana State Police conducted dozens of searches that uncovered questionable payments for classic cars, college tuition and an aircraft.

During Monday’s hearing, Noel wept at times and told the court that the charges he faced were “all my fault” and his relatives were the “victims of my deceit.”

“I apologize to all of the citizens of Clark County,” he said.

Portion of State Road 156 in Switzerland to close

BY THE COURIER STAFF

State Road 156 between Evans Hill Road and North Branch Road is scheduled to close on or after Thursday, Oct. 17, to begin slide correction work in Switzerland County.

State Road 156 will

reopen to traffic utilizing flagging operations between State Road 56 and North Landing Road prior to this closure.

The closure will take place approximately 3.5 miles south of Rising Sun and is expected to remain in place through

mid-December, weather permitting. During the closure, motorists should use the official detour route which follows State 56.

This project is part of a \$13.8 million contract awarded to Paul H. Rohe Company in May 2023.

Indiana Department of Transportation reminds drivers to slow down, use extra caution and avoid distractions when traveling in and near work zones. All work is weather-dependent and schedules are subject to change.

NEWS OF RECORD

JEFFERSON COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER

LODGINGS

October 15, 2024

Jayden Martell Freeman, 26, Madison, on a Jefferson County bench warrant (criminal confinement and battery). Bond \$100,000 cash.

October 16, 2024

Joseph Wayne Hussong, 21, Madison, to serve 87 days, consecutive, on a court-ordered sentencing (probation violation). No bond.

Patrick James Osborne, 35, Madison, on a parole hold warrant. No bond.

David Michael Wynn, 55, Hanover, for Driving While Suspended-Prior Suspension Within 10 Years. Released on own recognizance.

JEFFERSON COUNTY CIRCUIT & SUPERIOR COURT

SENTENCINGS

Tuesday,

October 15, 2024

Tyler Ray Bennett, 29, Madison, for Driving While Suspended, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 30 days jail, served, plus \$189.50 in court costs.

Chad Jason Uebel, 48, Deputy, Indiana, for Possession of a Device Used to Interfere with a Drug Screen, a Class B misdemeanor. Sentenced to 90 days jail with credit for 2 days served plus \$289 in fees

and court costs with sentence to run consecutive to 355 days suspended sentence for 2023 domestic battery.

Edward Allen Holt Jr., 38, Charlestown, Indiana, for Domestic Battery, a Level 5 felony. Sentenced to 1,095 days at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 204 days served and 548 days suspended to supervised probation plus \$639 in fees and court costs with No Contact Order to continue as term of probation.

Matthew Edward Ledbetter, 31, Madison, for Criminal Mischief, a Class B misdemeanor. Sentenced to 180 days jail with credit for 2 days served and 178 days suspended to supervised probation plus \$389 in fees and court costs and restitution to be determined.

Taryn Nicole Bomar, 36, Madison, for Leaving the Scene of an Accident, a Class B misdemeanor. Sentenced to zero days jail plus \$289 in fees and court costs.

Roberto Perez Mendoza, 35, Madison, for Driving While Suspended, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 40 days jail plus \$289.50 in fees and court costs.

Carol Sebree, 69, Madison, for Possession of Marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor. Sentenced to 180 days jail, all suspended to supervised probation plus \$589 in fees and court costs with sentence to run consecutive to 355 days probation for theft if a motor vehicle.

Angel Dawn Siler, 31, Madison, for Neglect of a

Dependent, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 910 days at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 142 days served plus \$489 in fees and court costs and No Contact Order to continue with modified conditions.

Clayton M. Hammond, 46, Madison, for Possession of Methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 545 days at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 90 days served and 455 days suspended to supervised probation plus \$989 in fees and court costs.

Lawrence Nathaniel Davis, 32, Scipio, Indiana, to an amended charge of Strangulation, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 910 days at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 70 days served and 840 days suspended to supervised probation plus \$1,189 in fees and court costs with No Contact Order to continue as a term of probation.

Corey L. Wimpee, 38, Madison, to amended changes of Possession of a Controlled Substance, a Level 6 felony and Driving While Suspended, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 545 days at Indiana Department of Correction on the felony, all suspended to supervised probation, consecutive to 64 days jail on the misdemeanor, served, plus \$989.50 in fees and court costs. Upon successful completion of probation, the defendant may petition court for sentence modification to reduce felony to a misdemeanor.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

JEFFERSON COUNTY  
October 15, 2024

Michael Jines, Dwain Jines, Brian Jines and Thomas Jines

BIRTHDAYS

OCTOBER 20

Anna Berry  
Laura Schafer  
Bill Sullivan

OCTOBER 21

Dale Crafton  
Vernon Morris — 58

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Wayne Dunlap

OCTOBER 23

Shannon Dattilo

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Crystal Anderson  
Melynda Johnson

to Jared T. Dahl and Moriah T. Dahl, 9714 North State Road 7, Dupont.

Michelle Mobley and Conner Mobley to Michelle Mobley and Conner Mobley, 5.97 acres at 10116 West Polk Road, Lexington.

John A. Bruns to Koko Properties LLC, 900+ Industrial Drive, Madison, 4.87 acres at 900+ Industrial Drive, Madison.

Kent Etherton to Shun Pike Farm LLC, five tracts totaling approximately 171 acres at 4000, 4508 and 4621 North Shun Pike, Madison and 602 Clifty Drive, Madison.

John Etherton to Madison-Hanover Holdings LLC, a lot at 208 Mulberry Street, Madison.

John Etherton to Madison-Hanover Holdings LLC, a parcel at 321 Marine Street, Madison.

John Etherton to Madison-Hanover Holdings LLC, two lots at 934 Lanier Drive, Madison.

John Etherton to Madison-Hanover Holdings LLC, a lot at 208 Mulberry Street, Madison, a lot at 114 South Sycamore Street, Hanover.

John Etherton to Madison-Hanover Holdings LLC, three lots at 276 East Crowe Street, Hanover.

John Etherton to Madison-Hanover Holdings LLC, a lot at 218 East Third Street, Madison.

John Etherton to Madison-Hanover Holdings LLC, two lots at 5707 West Hensler Road, Hanover.

John Etherton to Madison-Hanover Holdings LLC, a lot at 113 West Main Street, Hanover.

Robert Little and Anne Little to Marcus Wickey and Verena Wickey, approximately 34.4 acres at 11456 West 175 North, Deputy.

Arlie L. Colvin to Sparky Beeman, 8231 West Kent State Road 256, Madison.

Harold Lee Furnish and Charles Pomeroy and Tunie B. Pomeroy, approximately 4.5 acres at 1724 North 450 East, Madison.

Kelly M. Brooks and Ricketts Family Trust to Ashley N. Ricketts, 121 Cherry Trace, Madison.

Paul Daniel Myers (deceased) and Matthew P. Myers to Matthew P. Myers, 4961 South 850 West, Lexington.

Nancy Laverne Cheatham to Macy Lyons, 318 Cragmont Street, Madison.

Suellen Ison to Jack D. Ison, 235 North Lakeshore Drive, Madison.

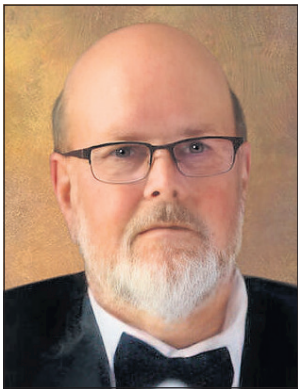
Jonathan H. Bivens and Sheila D. Bivens Tonna Renee Aspinall and Mark Joseph Aspinall, 2419 South College Hills Drive, Hanover.



**OBITUARIES**

**Timothy Harold Copeland**

Timothy Harold Copeland, of Madison, IN, age 64 passed away on Oct. 9, 2024, at his home with his wife Vickie by his side. He was born June 17, 1960, in Madison, IN at King's Daughter's Hospital. He was the son of Patricia Ann (Webster) Copeland and Harold "Brownie" Copeland. Tim was a 1978 graduate of Madison Consolidated High School where he was involved in marching band and was the manager of the football team. He was a 4H member in Jefferson County 4H. He attended Louisville Technical College where he earned an Associate's degree in electronics. He worked at Texas Instruments in Texas after college for a few years. Back home in Madison, he worked at Reliance Electric for 20 years. On Nov. 18, 1995, he was united in marriage to Vickie Lynn Nowlin Sexton at the Kent Christian Church in Kent, IN. He was a substitute mail carrier for the post office, worked as a millwright at Trimble County power plant, drove a semi truck, worked at Lowe's



in Madison, and worked at the Madison State Hospital. Timothy will be missed by his loving wife of 29 years, Vickie Lynn Nowlin Sexton Copeland of Madison, IN his daughter, Christine L. Sexton Gibbons and her husband, Ryan of Fishers, IN; his son, Andrew Sexton of Madison, IN; his granddaughter, Charlotte W. Seaborne of Fishers, IN; his brother, Michael A. Copeland and his wife, Cheryl Pleak-Copland of Carmel, IN; several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, and other relatives. He was preceded in death by his father, Harold E. "Brownie" Copeland; his mother, Patricia Ann "Pat" Webster

Copeland; his son in law, Justin W. Seaborne, his grandparents, John and Catherine Copeland and Curtis and Mildred Nell Webster. Funeral services will be conducted Friday, Oct. 18, 2024, at 11 a.m., by Bro. Doug Lee and Bro. Brian Schulz at the Kent Christian Church, 8082 W State Road 256 (Kent) Madison, IN. Interment will follow in the Kent Cemetery in Kent, IN. Friends may visit Thursday, Oct. 17, 2024, from 5 — 7 p.m. at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive Madison, IN, and Friday, Oct. 18, 2024, from 10 a.m. until the time of service at the Kent Christian Church in Madison, IN. Memorial contributions may be made to the Kent Christian Church, or the Kent Cemetery, or the Jefferson County Animal Shelter. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials, can be left at [www.morgan-nay.com](http://www.morgan-nay.com).

**William Thomas 'Bill' Abbott**

William Thomas "Bill" Abbott, age 61, of Lexington, IN, entered this life on Dec. 24, 1962, in Madison, IN. He was the loving son of the late Donald Lee and Mary Helen Lutz Abbott. He was raised and resided all of his life in Jefferson County. He was raised in the Kent Baptist Church in Kent, IN. Bill was a 1981 graduate of Southwestern High School where he participated in FFA and band. He began his working career at the age of 16 with the Kroger Company and spent 20 years there as head of the frozen food department. On Sept. 29, 1989, Bill was united in marriage to Ceceila "Cil" Hartwell at the Hanover United Methodist Church in Hanover, IN. They enjoyed 35 years of marriage together. Bill was currently a 22 year employee of VSG in Madison working in production at the time of his death. He enjoyed his dog Sabrina, restoring antique tractors, restoring, and driving classic cars, collecting World War I, and World War II collectibles, and playing the guitar. Bill



died on Friday, Oct. 11, 2024, at 10:10 a.m. at the Norton King's Daughters' Hospital Emergency Room in Madison, IN. Bill will be missed by his loving wife of 35 years, Cil Hartwell Abbott of Lexington, IN; his sister, Penny Gordon and her husband, Tony of Lexington, IN; his niece, Christina Erickson and her husband, Ryan of Indianapolis, IN; his nephew, Trevor Brittain and his wife, Victoria of Milton, KY; his great nephew, Hudson Brittain; his sister in law, Mary Goodin of North Vernon, IN; his brothers in law, Terry Hartwell and his wife, Laura of Panama City, FL, Thomas Hartwell and his wife, Nancy of North Vernon, IN, Dean Harwell and his wife, Jayme of North

Vernon, IN, Keith Hartwell and his wife, Lisa of North Vernon, IN, and other relatives. He was preceded in death by his father, Donald Lee Abbott; his mother, Mary Helen Lutz Abbott; his brother and sister in law, Michael Lee Abbott, and his wife, Sharon, died Sept. 18, 2018, his brothers in law, Michael and David Hartwell; his cat, Gidget; his dog, Daisy; Bill would often joke about his dark wavy hair will have preceded him in death. Funeral services will be conducted Friday, Oct. 18, 2024, at 6 p.m., by Pastor Mark Calvert at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, IN. Friends may visit Friday from 2 — 6 p.m. at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, IN. Memorial contributions may be made to the Jefferson County Animal Shelter. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials, can be left at [www.morgan-nay.com](http://www.morgan-nay.com).

**Larry David Craig**

Larry David Craig, age 79, of Milton, KY, entered this life on Feb. 9, 1945, in Louisville, KY. He was the loving son of the late David Bradley and Erma Allison Leach Craig. He was a 1963 graduate of Trimble County High School. He married Sandra Jean Jackson and this union was blessed with, Shannon, Michelle, and Quinn. He married Betty Kay Bower on July 26, 1980, at Mt. Zion Church in Paynesville and this union was blessed with Zach. They enjoyed 42 years of marriage together until her death on April 5, 2022. He lived in the Trimble County all his life. Larry worked as a manufacturing engineer for Rotary Lift for 48 years, retiring in 2014. He also spent two years at Brunswick in Eminence. He spent eight years as a volunteer deputy for the Trimble County Sheriff's Department. He enjoyed collecting, arrowheads, fishing, and hunting deer and turkey. He was particularly proud of the 93 deer he had killed, 41 of which had been with a bow and 16 with a muzzle loader. He was a former



member of the Bedford Baptist Church and now Mt. Zion Church in Paynesville. He was anxiously awaiting the birth of another great grandchild. Larry died on Sunday, Oct. 13, 2024, at 4:10 a.m. at the Thornton Terrace Health Campus in Hanover, IN. Larry will be missed by his loving daughter, Michelle Craig Griffith and her husband, William of Bedford, KY; his loving sons, Shannon David Craig and his wife, Stephanie Bell of Louisville, KY; Zachary Hunter Craig and his wife, Jolinda of Bedford, KY; his grandchildren, Allison, Chloe, Elissa, Hunter, Elliott; his great grandchildren, Andrew William and Quinn

Carroll; his brother in law, Terry Lee Bower of Madison, IN; and other relatives. He was preceded in death by his father, David Bradley Craig; his mother, Erma Allison Leach Craig, his beloved wife, Betty Kay Bower Craig, died, April 5, 2022, his beloved son, Eric Quinn Craig; his very close cousin who was like a brother, Donald Wayne Tomlinson. Funeral services will be conducted on Thursday, Oct. 17, 2024, at 11 a.m., by Pastor Mark Payton at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, IN. Friends may visit on Wednesday, Oct. 16, 2024, from 4 — 7 p.m. and Thursday, Oct. 17, 2024, from 9 a.m. until the time of service at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre. Memorial contributions may be made to the Trimble County Relay for Life/ American Cancer Society or the Kentucky Department Fish and Wildlife Resources. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison.

**Ronald 'Ron' Keith Bear**

Ronald "Ron" Keith Bear, age 83, of Madison, Indiana, entered this life on Oct. 11, 1941, in Madison, IN. He was the loving son of Tyrus "Ted" and Mary Jane Wilson Bear. Ron died on Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2024, at 10:44 a.m. at his home near Madison, IN. with his loving family at his side. Ron will be missed by his loving wife of 62 years, Mary Ann Hertz Bear of Madison, IN; his sons, Mark Allen Bear and his wife, Deborah of Madison, IN, Gregory Keith Bear and his wife, Carissa of Madison, IN, and Timothy Cecil Bear and his wife, Angie of Madison, IN; his grandchildren, Nathan Bear and wife Michelle, Natalie Ann Bear,

Isaac Bear, Annalise Bear, and Connor Grossen; his great grandchildren, Aceson Bear and Sophia Bear; his niece, Sabrina Bear Blake of Cincinnati, OH; his brother in law, Joe Hertz and his wife, Deanna of Madison, IN; his sisters in laws, Nancy Hertz of Cincinnati, OH, and Joanie Tucker of Madison, IN; his close friends Tom and Diane Ferrell of Madison, IN; numerous Hertz family nieces, nephews, and other relatives. He was preceded in death by his father, Tyrus "Ted" Bear; his mother, Mary Jane Wilson Bear, and his brother, Earl Bear. Funeral services will be conducted Tuesday, Oct. 22, 2024,

at 11 a.m., by Pastor Caleb Brewster at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive Madison, IN. Interment will follow in the Dupont Cemetery in Dupont, IN. Friends may visit Monday from 4 — 7 p.m. and Tuesday from 10 a.m. until the time of service at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, IN. Memorial contributions may be made to the Jefferson County Animal Shelter. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials, can be left at [www.morgan-nay.com](http://www.morgan-nay.com).

**DEATH NOTICES**

**John Baker Berger, 72**, of Carrollton, KY, died Monday, Sept. 23, 2024, in hospice care. Funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 23, at at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Carrollton. Arrangements by Graham-Dunn Funeral Home in Carrollton.

**Donna Marlene Webster Bush, 75 of Bear Branch**, IN, died Tuesday, Oct. 8, 2024, at her home in Bear Branch. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Monday, Oct. 21, at Haskell & Morrison Funeral Home in Vevay, IN , with interment will follow in the Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Madison, IN, [www.haskellandmorrison.com](http://www.haskellandmorrison.com).

**Adrian Fitzgerald Combs, 60**, of Milton, KY, died Wednesday, Oct. 16, 2024, at his residence. Funeral arrangements will be announced by the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover, IN, [www.morgan-nay.com](http://www.morgan-nay.com).

**Howard Ross Von Dissen, 91**, of Deputy, IN, died Wednesday, Oct. 16,

2024, at the Lake Point Village in Scottsburg, IN. Funeral arrangements will be announced by the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover, IN, [www.morgan-nay.com](http://www.morgan-nay.com).

**John Edward Galvin, 86**, of Georgetown, IN, and formerly of Madison, IN, died Wednesday, Oct. 16, 2024, at the Waters of Georgetown Villa 4 in Georgetown. Funeral arrangements will be announced by the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover, IN, [www.morgan-nay.com](http://www.morgan-nay.com).

**Brian David Gulley, 56**, of East Enterprise, IN, died Wednesday, Oct. 9, 2024, at his sister's residence in East Enterprise. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 18, in the New Liberty Cemetery in East Enterprise. Arrangements by Haskell & Morrison Funeral Home in Vevay, IN, [www.haskellandmorrison.com](http://www.haskellandmorrison.com).

**Nancy Louise Foster Rupard, 89**, formerly of Bedford, KY, died Saturday, Oct. 12, 2024, at Crowne Health Care

of North Baldwin in Bay Minette, AL. Graveside service and interment was Thursday, Oct. 17, at Bedford Cemetery in Bedford. Arrangements by Ransdell Funeral Home in Bedford, [www.ransdellfuneral.com](http://www.ransdellfuneral.com).

**Jacqueline Michelle Nelms Terry, 52**, of Hanover, IN, and formerly of Louisville, died Sunday, Oct. 13, 2024, at Aperion Care Hanover in Hanover. Funeral arrangements will be announced by the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Hanover, [www.morgan-nay.com](http://www.morgan-nay.com).

**Russell S. Tingle Jr., 75**, of Bedford, KY, died Sunday, Oct. 13, 2024, at his residence. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Oct. 21, at Ransdell Funeral Home in Bedford, with interment to follow in the Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Madison. The Honor Guard of the Major Samuel Woodfill Post 9, American Legion, Madison, will conduct military services at the cemetery chapel, [www.ransdellfuneral.com](http://www.ransdellfuneral.com).

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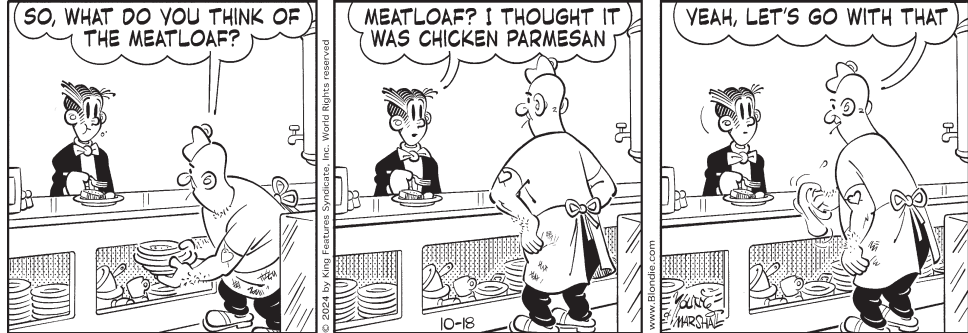
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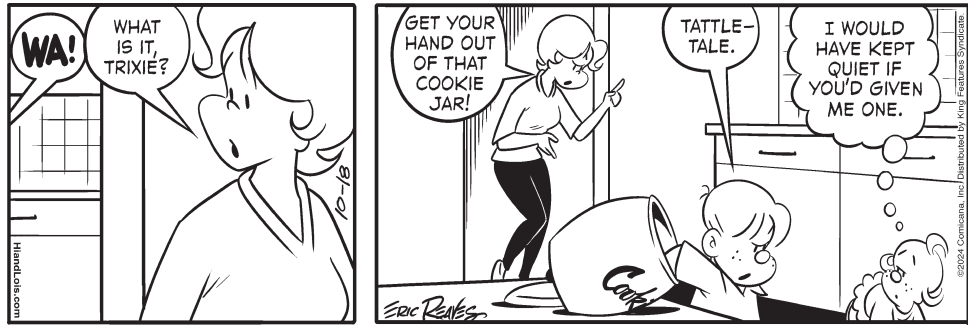
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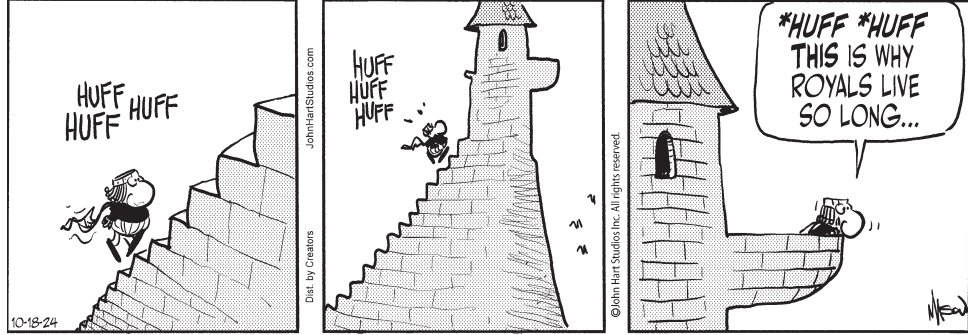
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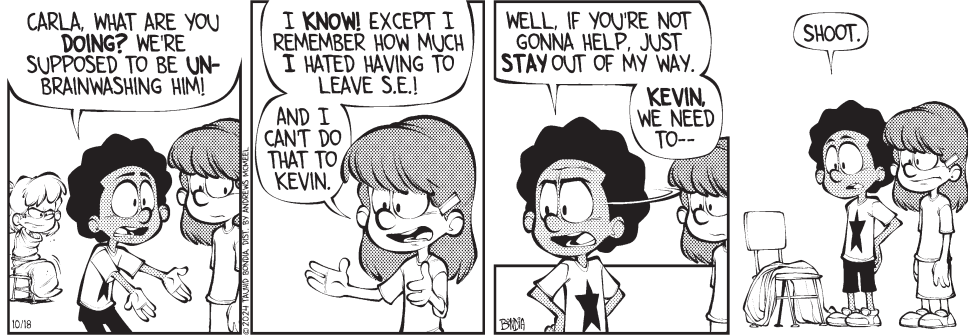
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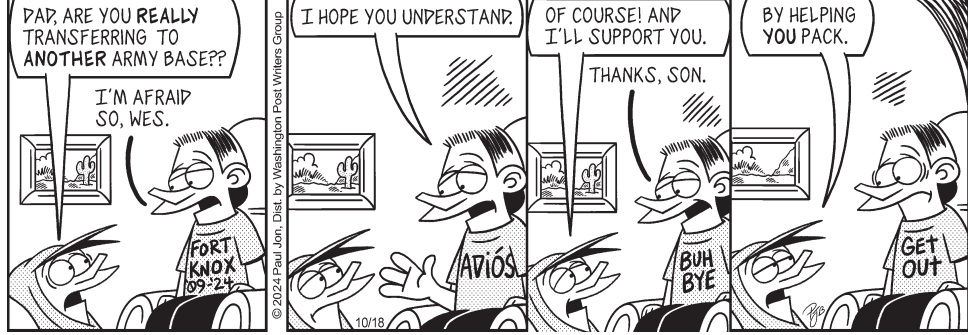
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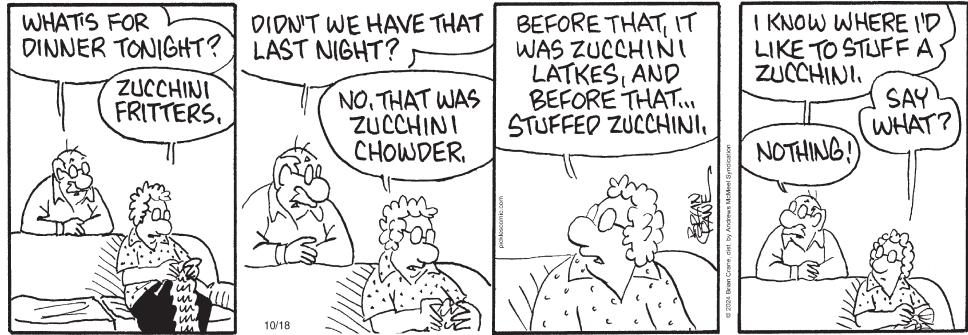
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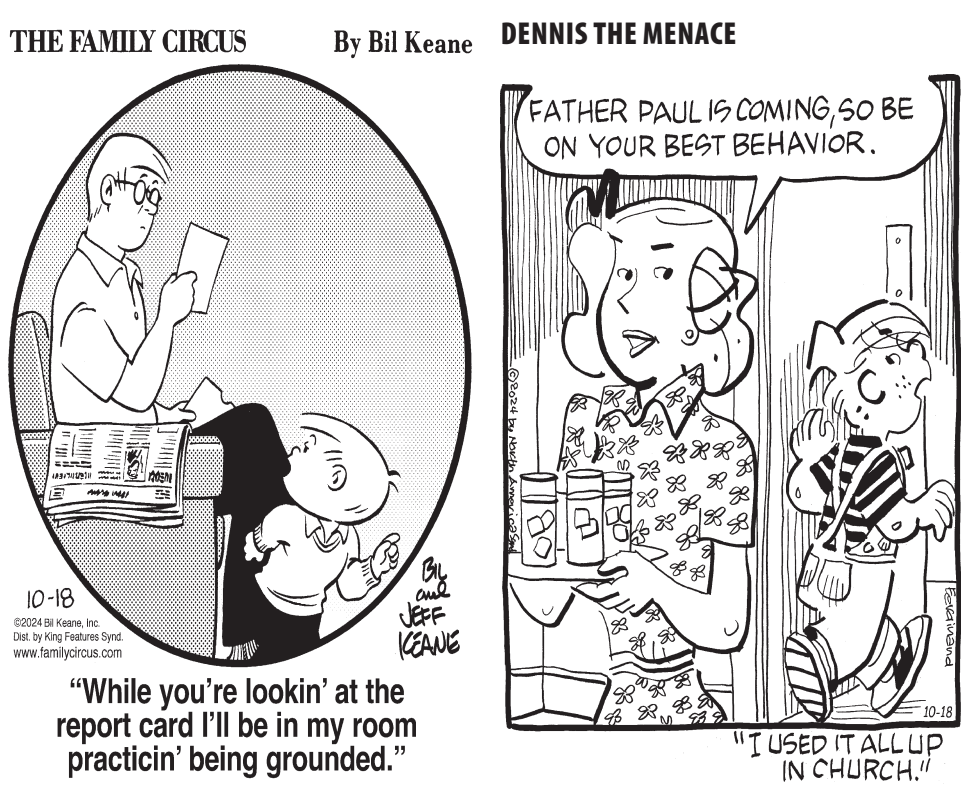
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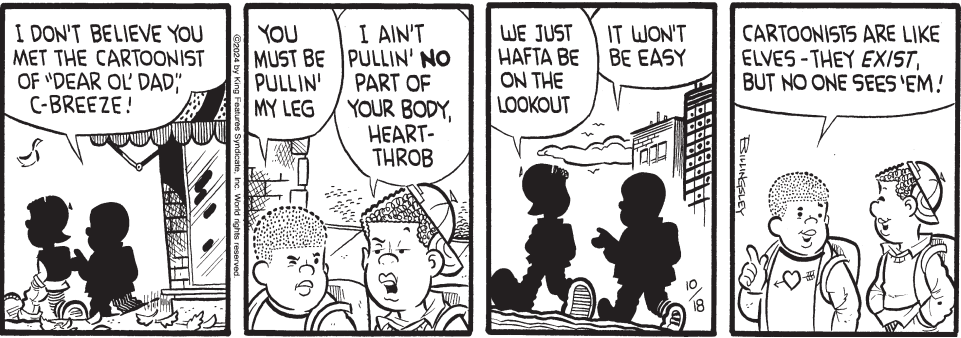
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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Friday, Oct. 18, the 292nd day of 2024. There are 74 days left in the year.

**Today in history:**  
On Oct. 18, 1977, Reggie Jackson hit three home runs in Game 6 of the World Series to lead the New York Yankees to an 8-4 win and a 4-2 Series victory over the Los Angeles Dodgers; his success in the Fall Classic earned him the nickname "Mr. October."

**Also on this date:**  
**In 1867**, the United States took formal possession of Alaska from Russia.  
**In 1898**, the American flag was first raised in Puerto Rico, shortly before Spain formally relinquished control of the island to the U.S.  
**In 1931**, inventor Thomas Alva Edison died at his home in West Orange, New Jersey, at the age of 84.  
**In 1954**, Texas Instruments unveiled the Regency TR-1, the first commercially produced transistor radio.  
**In 1962**, James D. Watson, Francis Crick and Maurice Wilkins were honored with the Nobel Prize for Medicine and Physiology for determining the double-helix molecular structure of DNA.  
**In 1968**, American Bob Beamon shattered the previous long jump world record by nearly two feet, leaping 29 feet, 2¼ inches at the Summer Olympics in Mexico City.  
**In 1972**, Congress passed the Clean Water Act, overriding President Richard Nixon's veto.  
**In 1977**, West German commandos stormed a hijacked Lufthansa jetliner on the ground in Mogadishu, Somalia, freeing all 87 hostages and four crew members and killing three of the four hijackers.

**In 2018**, President Donald Trump threatened to close the U.S. border with Mexico if authorities could not stop a caravan of migrants making their way from Central America.

**Today's Birthdays:**  
Football Hall of Famer Mike Ditka is 85. Composer Howard Shore is 78. Actor Joe Morton is 77. Author Terry McMillan is 73. Tennis Hall of Famer Martina Navratilova is 68. Boxing Hall of Famer Thomas Hearn is 66. Actor Jean-Claude Van Damme is 64. Jazz musician Wynton Marsalis is 63. Musician Ne-Yo is 45. Olympic gold medal skier Lindsey Vonn is 40. Jazz singer-musician Esperanza Spalding is 40. Actor Freida Pinto is 40. Actor Zac Efron is 37. WNBA center Brittney Griner is 34. Actor Tyler Posey is 33. Actor Barry Keoghan is 32.



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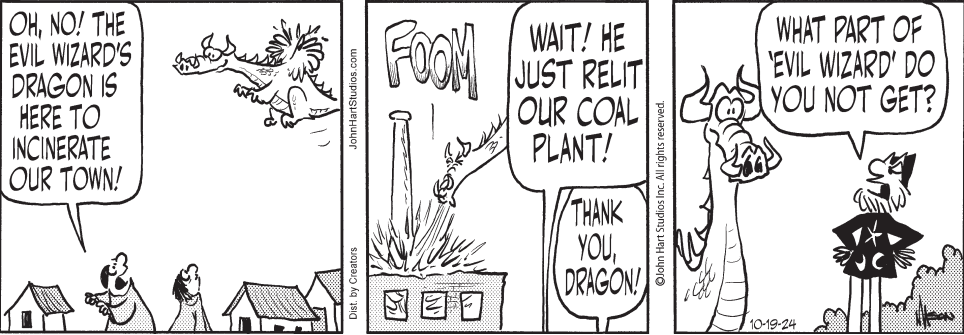
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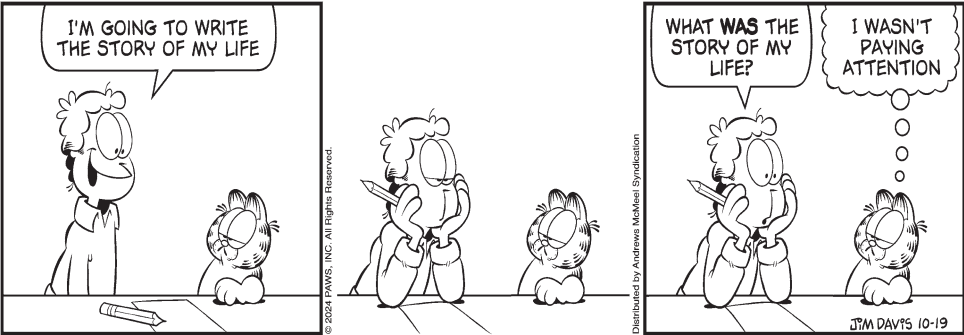
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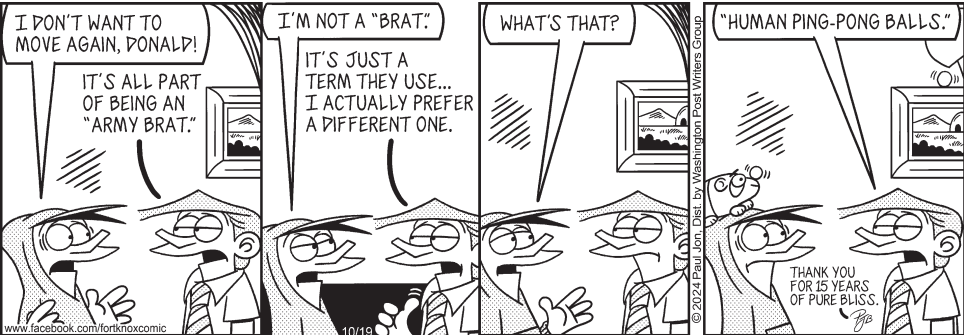
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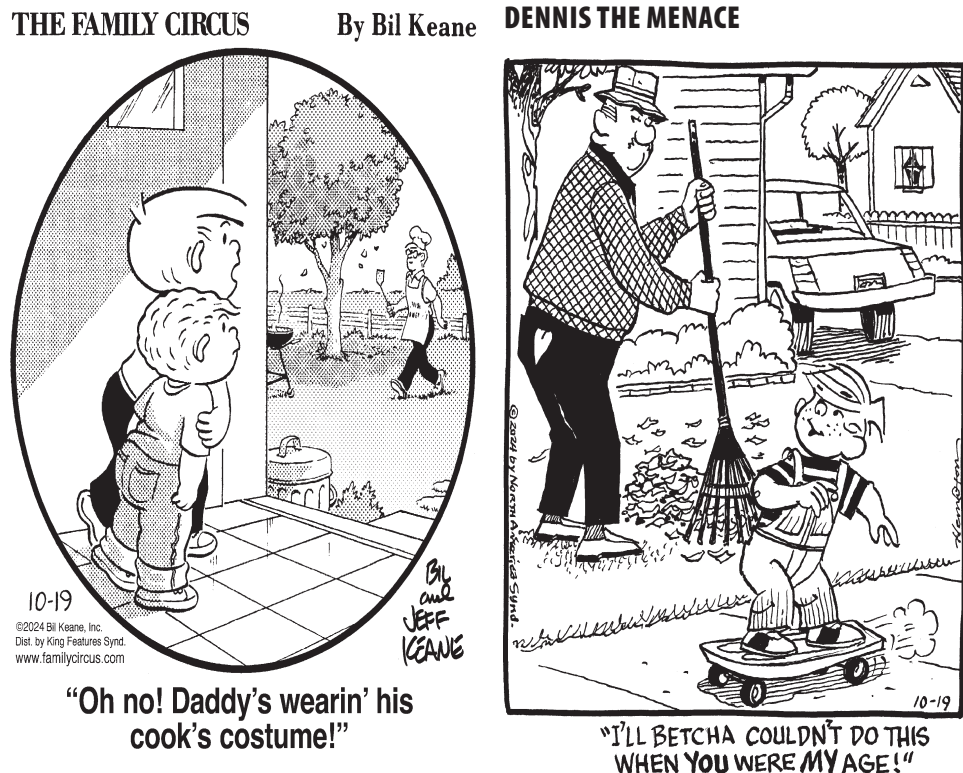
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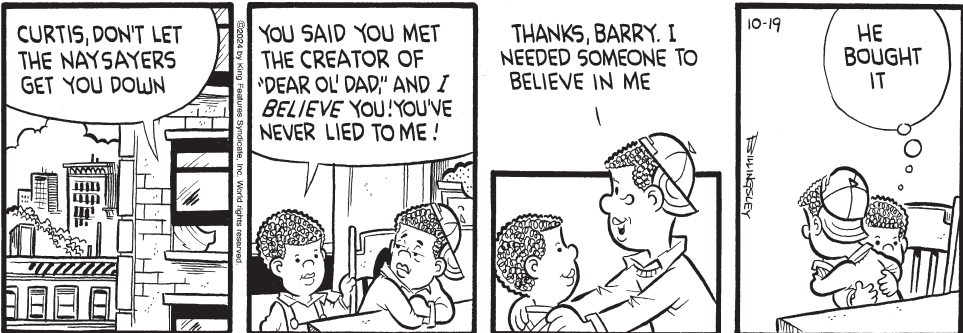
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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Saturday, Oct. 19, the 293rd day of 2024. There are 73 days left in the year.

**Today in history:**  
On Oct. 19, 1987, the stock market crashed as the Dow Jones Industrial Average plunged 508 points, or 22.6% in value (its largest daily percentage loss ever), to close at 1,738.74 on what came to be known as "Black Monday."

**Also on this date:**  
**In 1781**, British troops under Gen. Lord Cornwallis surrendered at Yorktown, Virginia, as the American Revolution neared its end.  
**In 1914**, the First Battle of Ypres began in World War I.  
**In 1960**, the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. was arrested during a sit-down protest at a lunch counter in Atlanta.

**Today's Birthdays:**  
Artist Peter Max is 87. Actor John Lithgow is 79. Fox News host Steve Doocy is 68. Singer Jennifer Holliday is 64. Boxing Hall of Famer Evander Holyfield is 62. "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition" host Ty Pennington is 60. Filmmaker Jon Favreau is 58. Former first daughter Amy Carter is 57. "South Park" co-creator Trey Parker is 55. Comedian Chris Kattan is 54. Musician Pras Michel (Fugees) is 52. Filmmaker Jason Reitman is 47. Actor Gillian Jacobs is 42. Actor Rebecca Ferguson is 41.



# Preservation conference set for Madison next week

More than 300 attendees to gather Tuesday-Friday

**BY BOB DEMAREE**  
Madison will host the Preserving Historic Places: Indiana's Statewide Historic Preservation Conference next week that will draw more than 300 people. Valecia Crisafulli, a Madison resident and former vice president of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, said will be the largest ever attendance for the annual Indiana Landmarks event. The conference runs Tuesday through Friday with lectures, educational sessions and historical tours.

"This is a group that will really appreciate what we've got here," said Crisafulli. The conference is sold out but there is one free workshop for property owners in Madison's National Historic Landmark District on Tuesday from 7-8 p.m. at the Jefferson County History and Art Center, 615 West First Street. David Calease, architectural historian with the National Park Service's Midwest Regional Office, will lead the session, exploring the differences between National Historic Landmark designation, listing in the National Register of Historic Places, and local historic district designation. Attendees will gain insights into available resources, learn best practices for maintaining historic properties, and understand

the impact of alterations within historic districts. The workshop will also include a question and answer segment. Joining Calease will be Ashley Thomas, historic architecture specialist from the Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology. Pre-registration is recommended as space is limited. Register to attend at <https://preservinghistoricplaces.regfox.com/national-historic-landmarks/The> rest of the conference is only available to persons already registered for the event. Many local projects will be highlighted for attendees including a session on new life for Main Street buildings, where participants will include Rebecca Brown, who is restoring the properties at 302 West

St. and 304 West St.; Matt Chandler, who developed a boutique hotel on First Street; and Brantley and Katie Beck, who have restored the former Oscar Bear Jewelry building. A program on Black Heritage in Madison will feature information shared by Sue Livers and Jan Vettrhus. Madison Mayor Bob Courtney and Tony Steinhart III, the city's economic development director, will talk about the city's PACE program. On Thursday, Mary Means, considered the founder of the Main Street movement, will speak at the conference. She conceived the Main Street America program, for which Madison was a pilot program in 1979 and a Great American Main Street winner earlier this year. Also on the Thursday, conference

attendees will visit five sites on a loft tour followed by tours of the Lanier Mansion and Shrewsbury-Windle House, along with an evening reception at the Crystal Beach Aquatic Center. On Friday, there will be tours at Hanover College and a historic home tour in Hanover, followed by guided tours of three Madison historic landmarks. Preserving Historic Places is staged by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology (DHPA), Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs, Indiana Landmarks, and Indiana University with support from the Jefferson County Board of Tourism.

# Hanover planning trash, recycling rate hike for next year

**BY BOB DEMAREE**  
With the town of Hanover's costs for trash and recycling pickup by Rumpke increasing next month, plans are being made to pass along that increase to residents with higher rates taking effect early next year. At Tuesday's town council meeting, it was announced that an ordinance will be developed to increase

the monthly trash and recycling rate to \$20 early next year, then to \$22.50 in 2026 and \$25 in 2027. The current monthly rate for town residents is \$17.50. In November, Rumpke will begin charging the town \$13.52 per month per household for solid waste and \$3.79 for recycling. This year, Rumpke's rate to the town is \$13 per household for solid waste

and \$3.64 for recycling. Because of Rumpke's rate increase and other costs associated with trash collection, the council cited the need to raise rates to users to avoid losing money. **IN OTHER BUSINESS**

- With \$112,000 left in the contingency from the town's sewer project with Hanover College, the

town passed an ordinance that allows those funds to be used for slip-lining to protect the structural integrity of pipelines at First Street and the river bottoms, where older clay lines need repair. Scott Williams, the town's superintendent of streets and utilities, said the slip-lining will seal the pipelines, keeping roots out that affect the flow of water. Bids will

now be taken for the project to determine what the cost will be.

- Williams reported a portion of the Community Building sustained damage from the Sept. 27 windstorm. Gutters were damaged and wind pulled up a portion of the roof.
- Adopted the town's 2025 budget of \$1,191,095 with tax rate of 0.5493.

# City lawsuits ongoing over Moody Park trailers, jail water service

**BY BOB DEMAREE**  
A court battle over the demolition and removal of several trailers on Moody Park Lane in downtown Madison took a shift in the city's direction when a motion for summary judgment was denied. Meanwhile, the lawsuit between the city of Madison and Dupont Water Company remains unsettled as a federal judge denied the city's motion for a declaratory judgment claim to dismiss. "In both instances, the city did nothing wrong by providing water to the new jail and ordering the removal of unsafe structures, in the case of Moody Park, and will continue to defend itself against these false claims," said Madison Mayor Bob Courtney. The Moody Park case stems from an order by city of Madison's Board of Public Works and Safety (BPWS) on March 20, 2023, ordering the demolition and removal of seven trailers after the city's building inspector deemed them unsafe and dangerous. The trailers are located on parcels at 938-940 Walnut Street at the 421 Mobile Home Park owned by James Cunningham. James and Gail Cunningham had filed a motion for summary judgment that

was denied by Circuit Court Judge D.J. Mote. The Cunninghams had contended the demolition is unlawful because the city's unsafe building ordinance does not apply to mobile homes. However, in his order, Mote stated he could not find any language in the city's unsafe building ordinance that excludes mobile homes. The Cunninghams also stated the city failed to give them an opportunity to repair or rehabilitate the mobile homes. The decision asked the question whether the option of repair effectively corrects the condition to be a danger to the public, citing opinions that provide guidance but no mandatory language. There was also a claim insufficient notice was given to Gail Cunningham for mobile homes she owns. The court responded that though the process of notice to her was not perfected, she had reviewed relevant documents with her husband, and had attended a hearing by the Board of Public Works and Safety, that the judge determined provided sufficient process. Courtney noted the BPWS's order remains for demolition and removal of the trailers. With the judge denying the summary judgment,

Courtney said, "Now it means if Cunningham wants to pursue their lawsuit against the city, it will go to a trial." Meanwhile, a lawsuit continues on between the city of Madison and Dupont Water Company on which utility should provide water service to the new Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and Criminal Justice Center, 1150 JA Berry Lane. Judge Sarah Evans Barker of the Southern District U.S. District Court made a ruling in which she denied the city's motion on the declaratory judgment count but granted the city's motion to dismiss Dupont's assertion that a policy influenced the city providing water service to the jail. In the suit, Dupont alleges that, it has "adequate pipes in the immediate vicinity" and "the capability to provide the jail when fully constructed with water service for both consumption and fire suppression." On Jan. 24, 2023, Dupont informed the city by letter that, in seeking to provide water services to Jefferson County for the jail, the city was "curtailing or encroaching on the federally-protected service territory that Dupont serves." The city responded Feb. 10, 2023, stating that it intended to

supply the jail's water with one reason being that it believed Dupont lacked adequate infrastructure to service the jail. While the case has proceeded, Madison installed a water line to the jail and is providing water service to the facility. The city maintained that Dupont's declaratory judgment claim cannot survive dismissal because Dupont has failed to adequately allege that it has an ongoing debt to the USDA as is required in order to qualify for the protections for the service area. After drawing reasonable inferences in Dupont's favor, Evans determined those are sufficient at this early stage of the litigation to render it "plausible" that Dupont is currently federally indebted. The court, however, did grant the city's motion to dismiss Dupont's claim that cites liability on any person acting under the color of state law that violates an individual's federally protected rights. The ruling by Evans stated Dupont's complaint failed to include sufficient factual allegations to allow the Court to determine that a final policymaker either made the decision to serve the jail. The court, though, denied the entirety of Jefferson County government's motion to dismiss, based on a vote by the County Council to receive water service from Madison. Evans stated, "Accordingly, we find that Dupont's allegations that the Jefferson County Council voted to receive water service from the city and that that agreement was the cause of Dupont's injury are sufficient to plausibly allege a municipal policy as is required."

"This case is long from settled," said Courtney. "Dupont has never had the infrastructure to provide water to the jail nor did it take any action to put it in place."

## THEATRE

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Schools were asked to describe why their school or community is the most "magical" place to produce the Tony-winning play. The play focuses on Harry's son, Albus Potter (played by Owain Kelsey) and his journey to right an old wrong, occurring 19 years after the events of author J.K. Rowling's novel "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows." Avery Clayton was involved in preparing the video Madison submitted to the contest. "I helped edit it, so it was really cool to see the final result and to find out that we won the rights is super exciting." Clayton, who plays Harry Potter's wife, Ginny, noted the play also focuses on Scorpius Malfoy (played Kolton Lock), the son of Draco Malfoy (played by Xander Bauer), telling the experiences of Albus and Scorpius at Hogwarts. With all the magic and entertainment, and even a few dance numbers, Lock said, "It has a big wow factor." Clayton added it's also special because a limited number of schools will perform the play this fall, and are close to Madison. "This is real opportunity

to bring such a big show to a small town," she said, noting the nearest other to perform the show are Coal City High School in north central Illinois, Firestone Community Learning Center in Akron, Ohio, and Portage Central High School in southern Michigan. More than 600 tickets have been pre-sold so far, but with eight productions (four each weekend) there remains plenty of tickets available since Opal E. Sherman Auditorium seats 831 people. Performances are Friday and Saturday, Oct. 25-26, at 7 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 26-27, at 2:30 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, Nov. 1-2, at 7 p.m.; and Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 2-3, at 2:30 p.m. Tickets at the door are \$20 for adults and \$8 for K-12 students. VIP premium seats with refreshments are \$30 at the door. Online tickets are \$15 for adults and \$5 for K-12 students. VIP premium seats with refreshments are \$25 online. Other actors include: Adaley Fox as Lily Potter, Adavious Gigax as Ron Weasley, Sophie Guirguis as Hermione Granger, Olivia Russell as Trolley Witch, Piper Fischmer as Polly Chapman, Anni Kempton as Yann Fredericks, Tyler Hook as Amos Diggory, Gabby Vest as Delphi Diggory, Scout Porter as Ludo

Bagman, Maddie Guirguis as Young Hermionoe, Tavian Bauer as Dumbledore, Fiona Magrath as Moaning Myrtle, Chelsea Dattilo as Dolores Umbridge, Gabe Pattison as Professor Snape, Emma Wynn as Professor McGonagall, Savannah Hall as Madam Hooch, Anna Guzman as Bathilda Bagshot and Alie Burch as Lily Potter Sr. Actors with multiple roles include Timmy Schoonover as James Potter, Karl Jenkins and Cedric Diggory, Eric Mireles as Sorting Hat and Station Master, and David Corral as James Potter Sr. and Craig Bowker Jr. Also, Maya Bullock and Poppy Kelsey share the role of Rose Granger-Wesley. Performers of the wand dance include Zuzu Bailey, Jenna Renfrow, Ava Overfield, Riley Kuppler, Sofia Bentz, Sophia Reilmann, Rae Hearne and Reagan Wynn. "I really like the themes of this show," said Clayton. "It explores the themes of friendship, the themes of parent-child connection in growing up. It's really a heart-warming show, apart from the magic and the wow factor. It's got a really good message." Alcorn said, "We are all honored to do this show — to put on this literal magic. It's a huge opportunity for us and everyone is doing an amazing job" with the production.

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# Former county heath officer Dr. Hossler dies at 75

BY BOB DEMAREE

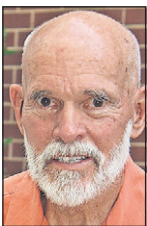
Dr. John Hossler, who guided Jefferson County through the COVID-19 pandemic as Jefferson County Health Officer, died Monday at the age of 75.

“Dr. Hossler was an absolute joy to be around, both professionally and personally,” Blythe Couch, public health coordinator for the Jefferson County Health Department, said. “He was our fearless leader through historic natural disasters and disease outbreaks. Despite COVID being the most traumatic event any of us in public health had ever encountered, Dr. Hossler remained unwavering calm, supportive and diligent in his efforts.”

Hossler began his time on the county health board in 2005, then accepted the role of interim health officer after Dr. H. Schirmer Riley died April 19, 2010, in a plane crash. Hossler took the official reigns in November 2010, and continued as health officer through 2023.

Hossler moved to Madison in 1978, working in family practice medicine with the Madison Clinic and then with King’s Daughters’ Health where he served for 44 years before retiring in 2022.

“Dr. John Hossler truly enjoyed caring for his patients,” said Carol Dozier, chief executive officer of



Dr. John Hossler

Norton King’s Daughters’ Health. “He relished his role as a physician while remaining humble and kind to everyone he met. Dr. Hossler worked in our COVID clinic during the pandemic and gave countless hours to the community during that time. We will forever miss this smile, his dedication to serving others and his friendship. He put patients first in everything he did, and he leaves an incredible legacy within the Madison community.”

Dr. George Alcorn said, “Dr. Hossler was a very kind and caring physician. He was also an excellent

clinician. He meant a great deal to the community, especially during the COVID pandemic. He was one of the finest physicians I have ever known.”

Denine Hallgarth, director of provider operations at Norton KDH, said, “I am so blessed to have had the opportunity to work with Dr. Hossler over the past 25 years, and I know that he has left a lasting impression on me and everyone he met. Dr. Hossler was always kind and helpful and truly loved his chosen profession. He was an amazing physician and a great person. He will be deeply missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him.”

Lindsey Wyne, county health administrator, said, “You don’t have to look far to find someone whose life was positively impacted by Dr. Hossler. Not only did he personally provide care to many members of our community, but also served a vital role in protecting the overall health of our county. Dr. Hossler was serving as the health officer when I started my role at the health department. I’ll forever be grateful for his support and valuable insight as I transitioned into the world of public health.”

Hossler’s funeral will be Sunday at Calvary Church in Madison. His obituary can be found in this edition.

## Hanover offers \$2,500 scholarships to children of Indiana K-12 employees

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Beginning in fall 2025, Hanover College will award a \$2,500 scholarship to first-year students whose parent or legal guardian is employed by any K-12 school in Indiana — public or private.

To be awarded the scholarship, students must be admitted to Hanover, complete the FAFSA, and provide proof of their parent’s or legal guardian’s full-time or permanent part-time employment at a K-12 school.

“Hanover College continues to lead the way in making our transformative education as accessible to as many people as possible,” said Peter Ashley, vice president for enrollment and marketing. “We wanted to recognize the critical role of Indiana’s K-12 employees in shaping the lives of young

people and their inherent appreciation for what education can mean for their futures.”

In the past several years, Hanover has taken steps to make paying for college more transparent and accessible. Initiatives have included offering a four-year tuition lock for incoming cohorts, guaranteeing graduation in four years, and providing full tuition for the most-needy Pell-eligible students.

“Hanover offers strong merit and competitive scholarships in order to help families meet their need, while enabling us to deliver a world-class education,” Ashley noted. “All types of scholarships and aid are capped at full tuition, so the goal is to help families as much as possible, while ensuring they are invested in their student’s education.”

## AWARD

FROM PAGE A1

Faced with school and other closings during the pandemic, Girls Inc looked for ways to continue serving and reaching its members as access was limited to the club on Third Street in downtown Madison. That ended up involving more efforts toward outreach and that has produced a major expansion in the number of girls who participate in Girls Inc through the club’s To-Go programming.

“Our To-Go Program that started during COVID in 2020, when we weren’t being allowed in the schools, now serves 150 kids after starting out with 25,” said Christian Cull, Girls Inc programming director. “The program started just in the Madison elementary schools, but we are now serving third and fourth graders and in 10 of the elementary schools including the four Madison ones, Southwestern, Canaan, Bedford and Milton and Jeff Craig and Switzerland County Elementary. We have the To-Go program in three different counties now.”

After the pandemic wound down, the club reopened and began serving members with after school, summer and other programming while maintaining and working to grow the outreach and To-Go programs. Cull noted most Girls Inc affiliates are either club centered or outreach-based but not both, but a combination of the two seems to work best for the Madison club since traveling to the center is not convenient for some members and having both allows the club to do what is most important, provide after-school programming that gives girls a productive and constructive way to spend that gap between school and family hours.

“COVID certainly made a negative impact on all after-school programs because some people just made changes in what their children do after school,” said Girls Inc of Jefferson County Executive Director Susan Stahl. “But we are starting to see those numbers slowly start to pick up. Of course, at the center we can only accommodate so many girls — we have a capacity there — but with outreach we don’t have a capacity and we know that through outreach we are going to be able to engage girls who wouldn’t come to the center, not because they didn’t want to but because it just wouldn’t be an option for them. That always just really gets me excited and we’ve actually had some girls who met us through outreach who have come to the center because they liked it so much.

“The key is to engage in something after school that is meaningful and productive because a lot of at-risk behaviors tend to happen between the hours of 3 and 7 and it’s always a good thing for any school-age child to be engaged in something productive after school,” Stahl added.

Girls Inc of Jefferson County did not apply for Affiliate Of The Year nor was the club nominated. The award is based on 17 criteria involving how the club serves its community such as the number of girls served, programs offered, staffing and operational budget among others— things Stahl and Cull both call “tangible markers.”

“It’s based on very tangible kinds of goals,” said Cull. “That, to me, is what makes it more special. It’s not just a popularity contest.”

“We have grown in the number of kids we serve in our center and in the number we serve in our outreach program but we did take a huge hit during COVID,” Cull added. “Staffing has grown from three full-time to seven full-time including another full-time program specialist and, most recently thanks to Bethany Legacy Foundation, a full-time mental health advocate for our girls. After COVID we really noticed that was something we needed to have. The things that our kids were dealing with were things that we were not necessarily qualified to deal with and having somebody who that is their profession is definitely good for our kids.”

Cull said the mental health professional was needed to help girls deal with issues like behavior and emotional regulation since the pandemic — issues that were there all along but became more apparent when the club reopened. “They are not so much a bigger problem now, but an issue that staff members are more aware of,” she said.

“We realized very quickly post-COVID that we needed to get a professional on our staff ... none of us are mental health professionals and we realized we needed to get somebody whose focus would be mental health,” said Stahl, who has directed the affiliate since 1983. “We’re not doing counseling but we’re helping girls be able to deal with the kinds of things they are struggling with and also be able to do programming and get out and do programming in the schools. I can’t believe that won’t be a win-win for everyone.”

Stahl noted that COVID was tough on the club and the girls it serves. Being out of school classrooms and after-school programs like Girls Inc left a void for some youths. She said the pandemic “wins the prize” for most difficult time in her 41 years

as director.

“There have been some other years that were tough, mostly because of funding, but COVID literally grinded everyone to a halt — and changed the world — so we don’t even say before COVID now,” Stahl said. “There is no ‘Before COVID.’ We’re not going back to the way things were. We have a new normal ... and how we navigate all that and help them be successful is what all the programs are trying to do.”

At the awards program in San Antonio, Cull was seated at a table in the back of the large luncheon venue when Girls Inc of Jefferson County was announced as one of the organization’s three top affiliates — small, medium and large — so it was a long way to the podium but she remembers very little about that walk.

“It was very surprising. I was not expecting it at all. I don’t think anybody at our affiliate was,” she said, noting the shock didn’t wear off for quite some time. “A lot of the other affiliates in Indiana went out of their way to tell us they were really proud of us so we really appreciate that.”

“It’s very exciting. We are working hard,” Stahl said, noting it’s the second time the club has received the award since 2016. “I’m very proud of that but I am not award-driven. So it doesn’t change the day-to-day and how we do business. It’s a very nice accolade but it’s not going to change how we go about doing business so we’re going to just keep trying to improve and grow for our girls in the best way ... It really is about how we are moving forward and serving girls in our community.

The national affiliates meeting for Girls Inc will be closer to home next year. The clubs will meet in Indianapolis for their annual workshops, strategic sessions and another awards program.

“We don’t apply for it and nobody nominates you. And you know, we might get it again. Thirty-plus affiliates are in our category and I’m very proud of the fact that we won the award,” Stahl said. “I don’t take it for granted because things can change in a heartbeat. We’ve got an excellent team and a really hard-working board. That’s not accidental. We work to create that and it doesn’t always end up with something like this, but I hope the community appreciates what we do.

“Awards are not why we’re showing up for work. Most people who work with youth are not there to make massive amounts of money or retire early. That’s not why you go into that work,” Stahl said. “You go into it because you want to make a difference.”

## Galvin, leader in Madison historic preservation, dies at 86

BY BOB DEMAREE

John Galvin, known for his influence on historic preservation in Madison and his longtime ownership of the Ohio Theatre, died Wednesday at the age of 86.

“He was key to city’s continued improvement as an historic community,” said John Staicer, president and executive director of Historic Madison Inc. (HMI)

Galvin was active in the effort that established Madison’s historic district ordinance in the 1980s, an effort that Staicer noted was born from Madison being selected as one of the nation’s first three pilot Main Street programs in 1979, and after the program ended, that developed a realization of the need.

With the support of Mayor Warren Rucker, the historic preservation ordinance was enacted in 1982.

In 2006, the majority of Madison’s downtown area was designated a

National Historic Landmark — 133 blocks of the downtown area is known as the Madison Historic Landmark District.

Galvin became a member of the HMI board of directors in 1978 and served as president of HMI from 1981 to 2010, when he became president emeritus. Galvin was the longest serving HMI board president, after he succeeded HMI founder John Windle. Galvin was HMI executive director from 1987 to 2003.

“He helped to move HMI forward after John Windle, and took it to a whole new level. He was instrumental in so many different ways at the organization,” said Staicer, adding that Galvin also “created a stable baseline for the organization financially so we continue to help community with historic preservation.”

Galvin, who grew up



John Galvin

in Paducah, Kentucky, moved to Madison in 1960 — the same year that HMI was founded — to relocate with his wife, Maureen, to manage the Ohio Theatre, which they owned until 1994.

It was Galvin’s involvement with the Ohio Theatre that led to his involvement in Madison’s Main Street, rallying his fellow downtown business owners to join the Madison Business and Professional Association.

“He was a true community leader, and was recognized for that,” said Staicer, and through that Galvin developed his sense of the importance of historic preservation to the vitality of downtown Madison.

Staicer said Galvin had “a big impact on this community. He’s going to be missed. They don’t make them like John Galvin anymore. He was a special guy.”

## Retiring with Confidence and Income Security



### Layin’ it on the line

By Stephen Dybwad  
Retirement Planning/  
Wealth Management

Retirement is a well-deserved chapter filled with opportunities but also demands careful financial planning. While the desire to maximize returns beckons, many retirees prioritize predictability and security to ensure a comfortable lifestyle throughout their golden years. This is where fixed annuities emerge as a compelling option, offering guaranteed income, market protection, and tax advantages.

**The Allure of Stability:** Unlike traditional investments, which are susceptible to market swings, fixed annuities offer stability. You invest a lump sum, and in return, the insurance company guarantees a set interest rate for a defined period. This shields your money from market volatility, ensuring predictable growth regardless of economic turbulence. Imagine the peace of mind knowing your retirement nest egg is safe from sudden downturns, allowing you to plan your expenses with confidence.

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compounding effect can boost your returns in the long run. Think of it as earning additional interest without the immediate tax burden, further solidifying your financial future.

**Guaranteed Income Stream for Life:** Transitioning from a steady paycheck to retirement can be daunting. Fortunately, fixed annuities offer the solution: a guaranteed income stream. Upon reaching a specified age, you can convert your accumulated funds into regular income payments, ensuring a predictable cash flow throughout your retirement. This provides the peace of mind that essential expenses will be covered, allowing you to enjoy your retirement without financial worries.

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**However, it’s crucial to note:**

- **Shop around:** Compare rates and terms from various insurance companies to find the best deal.
- **Understand the fees:** Carefully review all associated fees and their impact on your returns. Some annuities may include surrender charges for early withdrawals or other administrative fees.
- **Consider your needs:** Assess your income needs, time horizon, and risk tolerance to ensure a fixed annuity aligns with your retirement goals.

- **Seek professional advice:** Consult a financial advisor to create a personalized retirement plan that incorporates fixed annuities if suitable for your unique circumstances.

**Remember:** Fixed annuities are complex financial products. This article aims to provide a general overview and is not financial advice. Thorough research, weighing the pros and cons, and consulting a qualified financial advisor are essential before making investment decisions.

By carefully considering the benefits and limitations of fixed annuities in the context of your individual needs and risk tolerance, you can determine if they can be a valuable tool in confidently navigating retirement and securing a consistent income stream for your golden years.

Ready to unlock the peace of mind that comes with professional guidance? Contact a trusted financial advisor today for a personalized consultation. Discuss your retirement goals and explore how fixed annuities can contribute to a secure and fulfilling future. Don’t wait - invest in your retirement security with expert advice by your side!

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Taylor Williams

Firefighters, police, utility workers and other first responders were working a house fire with “multiple fatalities” in the 200 block of Fifth Street on Thursday in Carrollton. The fire was reported at about 6 a.m. and when firefighters arrived the home was fully engulfed.

FIRE

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Firefighters arrived and battled to control the fire until late Thursday morning and were still on the scene into Thursday afternoon. Utility workers were also dispatched to disconnect and secure electrical service to the home.

Roberts said the State Fire Marshal will investigate the fire along with the Kentucky State Police and Carrollton Police

Department will handle the death investigation.

“At this time, the scene is secured on Fifth Street,” Roberts said, noting the area would remain closed until the investigations are complete.

Although authorities have not released the names of victims or an exact death toll, employees at Carroll County Memorial Hospital in Carrollton have posted on social media that “two beloved members of our team ... passed away this morning” and a candle-

light vigil will be held in their honor at 7 p.m. Thursday in front of the health department.

“We kindly ask for everyone to park behind or on the side of the hospital to allow room in the front. We invite all who wish to join us in remembering and celebrating their lives. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families and loved ones during this incredibly difficult time. We kindly ask for privacy for their families as they grieve together.”

ACTIVITIES

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There will be pumpkin painting at Lamplighter Park. After the festival, there will be a screening of “The Legend of Sleepy Hollow” (kid-friendly version) and “Ghostbusters” on the big screen at Bicentennial Park. Also, a Headless Horseman will make a special appearance.

There are plenty of other Halloween activities throughout the area:

**JEFFERSON COUNTY**  
**Jefferson County 4-H Trick of Treat Drive-Through:** Saturday, Oct. 26, Noon-2:30 p.m., at Jefferson County Extension Office, 3767 West State Road 256, Madison, an event held by Jefferson County Purdue Extension with community groups invited to participate. Stay in your cars with headlights on traveling under 10 mph and collect treats with a bag or bucket. Enter at the extension office parking lot and exit at Gate 3. All community youth are invited.

**Friends of Clifty Falls State Park Hayride:** The Friends of Clifty Falls State Park will provide hayrides through the park on two different weekends, Oct. 18-19 and 25-26. Hayrides will begin at the pool from 6-8 p.m. Cost is \$5 per person, cash only. Kids 3 and under are free. No pets please. Proceeds will benefit the Friends of Clifty Falls State Park.

**Clifty Falls Halloween:** The park will host Halloween activities Saturday, Oct. 26. Activities will include a campsite decorating contest, pumpkin painting, a costume contest, trick-or-treating in the campground, and more. For more information, call the nature center at 812-273-0609.

**Elks Haunted House:** Elks Lodge at 1251 West Main Street hosts Haunted House Saturday, Oct. 19, and Saturday, Oct. 26, from 6-11 p.m. each night. \$10 entry fee at the door. Ages 12 and under

must be accompanied by an adult.

**Hanover Spooktacular:** Saturday, Oct. 19, 5-7 p.m. Hanover Community Park. Trick or treating, a costume contest, live music and food trucks.

**Lanier Mansion State Historic Site:** Haunted Histories, from 7-9 p.m. on Fridays through Nov. 1. Inside the mansion’s informal parlor, guests can immerse themselves in 19th century ghost lore and spiritualism. Afterwards, visitors will take a walking tour to explore several of Madison’s more eerie locations, including the Broadway Hotel, the old Vail and White Funeral Parlor and the Madison Riverfront. Tickets are \$16 for adults, \$14 for seniors and \$12 for children ages 6-12.

**Hanover United Methodist Church Trunk or Treat:** Saturday, Oct. 26, 3-5 p.m. at the church, 220 East Lagrange Road, Hanover.

**Trinity United Methodist Church Trunk or Treat:** Sunday, Oct. 27, 4-6 p.m. in front of the church at the Broadway Fountain, 409 Broadway St., Madison. Candy, hot dogs, chips and water will be available. Anyone interested in having a trunk, contact the church office at 812-265-3059.

**Spooktacular Halloween Party:** Thursday, Oct. 24, 5-6:30 p.m. at Boys and Girls Club of Jefferson County. Come dressed in your best costume and get ready for a night of fun, treats, and spooky surprises. Free event.

**CARROLL COUNTY**  
**General Butler State Resort Park Trunk or Treat:** Friday, Oct. 25, 6-8 p.m. at the front entrance parking lot.

**General Butler State Park Boo Bash:** The event is Friday and Saturday, Oct. 18-19, and Friday and Saturday, Oct. 25-26, from 6-8 p.m. Events, most free and open to the public, will take place around the park, with several near the park entrance off KY 227.

**General Butler State Resort Park Haunted House:** Friday and Saturday, Oct. 18-19, and Friday and

Saturday, Oct. 25-26, from 7-10 p.m. Tickets \$10 per person may be purchased at the Mini Golf Hut near the front entrance of the park.

**Harry Potter Halloween:** Trick or treat, costume contest, games and more Saturday, Oct. 19, 6-9 p.m. in downtown Carrollton. There will be a golf cart parade beginning at 7 p.m.

**TRIMBLE COUNTY**  
**New Life Assembly of God Halloween Boo-Nanza:** Thursday, Oct. 31, 6-8 p.m. at Church Street in Bedford with games, inflatables, candy and more.

**Palmyra Community Trunk or Treat:** Event is Saturday, Oct. 26, 6 p.m., at 1066 Palmyra Road in Bedford.

**SWITZERLAND COUNTY**  
**All Hallows Eve:** Crafts, games and treats, and ghostly tales at Switzerland County Historical Museum, 210 East Market Street, Vevay, on Saturday, Oct. 19, 5-7 p.m. Free event. Donations appreciated.

**The Original Vevay Ghost Tour:** Wednesday, Oct. 30, and Thursday, Oct. 31, 7 p.m. each night. Tour departs from Vevay Vintage Prop and Shop, 321 Ferry Street, where tickets can be purchased. For Oct. 30, no one under 12 years of age. Tickets cost \$25 per person. For Oct. 31, only 21 years plus, includes Roxy’s Vevay. Can also be purchased via MadTix. Only 25 tickets are available for each tour.

**Trunk or Treat at Paul Ogle Park in Vevay:** Saturday, Oct. 26, 5-8 p.m. Costume contests and prizes for the best decorated trunks. Free event.

**Brushy Fork Trunk or Treat:** Saturday, Oct. 26, from 2-4 p.m., at Brushy Fork Baptist Church, 12840 East Brushy Fork Road, Canaan.

**Moorefield Community Fire Department Trunk or Treat:** Saturday, Oct. 26, from 5-9 p.m. at Moorefield Community Fire Department, 8124 State Road 129, Vevay. Hay ride, 5-8 p.m., weather permitting.

SHOW

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The bands The Rox and Radioface will be opening. The show is free, with all donations going to the “Shop With a Hero” program.

“To understand Shock Treatment you have to understand where music was 20 years ago,” explains Davy. “The Ramones had just broken up in the late ’90s, and there was still a lot of pent up energy around punk rock music. Here in Madison there was a kind of revival with several young bands playing punk shows upstairs at Crystal Beach and in the alley next to Fizz’z Bike Shop. We were just picking up on that energy.”

The original band members were Davy, Scott Koerner, Mark Bear, Curt Vandebur, Jeff Corbin, Dale Davis and Scott Perkinson. “We really should also mention Matt Shermer as one of the original Pinheads,” adds Davy, “coming to all our shows and supporting us.”

“Scott Koerner is probably the glue that formed the band and held us all together,” relates Davy. “He and I used to rock out in the basement of the Shrimp House in the early days, and that just kind of morphed into Shock Treatment over time.”

Koerner was also instrumental in recruiting and teaching guitar to Bob Courtney, a more recent addition to the band who is now Madison’s mayor. “I’ve been with the band for about 10 years,” explains Bob. “I took some guitar lessons from Steve Pulias, and then Scott really mentored me and gave me the confidence to join the band. It’s been such a

fun experience!

“Davy and I are both Walnut Street kids,” continues Bob. “We both went to Eggeston, I was one year ahead of Davy. In fact, band members Scott, Jeff, Curt and myself are all class of ’81 at Madison High School, and Davy and Mark are class of ’82. We’ve been around each other all our lives, and most of the guys have been playing music together.”

“The camaraderie has been awesome,” says Davy. “Bob likes to call us ‘Brothers in Band’, and I know exactly what he means. When you put your soul into something like Shock Treatment, you become a kind of family, even if we only get to play a couple times a year. The connection is there.”

Mayor Bob adds, “I have to tell you a story ... When I was in grade school they gave me an aptitude test and told me I wasn’t smart enough to learn an instrument. Can you imagine that! What a terrible thing to say to a kid. But I’ve learned later in life, with the right support and a little training, anybody can learn to play. It’s a natural human gift we all share. Playing with Davy and the guys has been such a great outlet for me. I mean, I’m the mayor of Indiana’s Music City! It’s only natural, right?”

If you’d like to hear a little sample, search on YouTube for “Shock Treatment Ramones Girl”, which is an original song the band created in the classic Ramones style.

HOT TIP OF THE WEEK

Something about the October/November timeframe in Madison that is just kind of magical. The heat of summer has passed a bit, and it’s the driest time of the year as far as rain goes. It’s a perfect time

for festivals (like the upcoming MadHop Music Fest on Nov. 2) or house tours or a classic weekend getaway with family or friends. If you look at the music calendar, you’ll see 20 live events between Wednesday and Sunday, with eight on Saturday alone! Almost all the music is within walking distance in the historic downtown music district, and most is free with no cover charge. So you can hop from spot to spot. It’s a true “music city” experience, right here in southern Indiana!

Charlie Rohlfing is a retired advertising man and partner in The Red Bicycle Hall music venue. Look for his distinctive fedora bobbing above the crowd, anywhere live local music is happening.

MUSIC EVENTS SCHEDULE

**Friday, October 18**  
First Street Saloon — Gary Brown  
Red Bicycle Hall — Kyle Smith w/Aaron Wolf & Carries (8 p.m.)  
Tailgators — Patriotic Karaoke (9 p.m.-1 a.m.)  
Central — Dirty Laundry  
Rivertown Grill — Matt Red Moore (9 p.m.-1 a.m.)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

First Street Saloon — L&L Karaoke  
Central — Ragtop Deluxe  
Thomas Family Winery — Davis & Devitt (7 p.m.)  
Tailgators — Tailfin Cadillac (9 p.m.-1 a.m.)  
Riverboat Inn — Southern Country Band (7-10 p.m.)  
Off Broadway Taproom — Jimmy Davis Band (9 p.m.-midnight)  
Rivertown Grill — Crossfire Band (9 p.m.-1 a.m.)  
VFW Post 1969 — Bee Camp Bottom Boys w/opener Creedence Cooper (7-11 p.m.)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

Rivertown Grill — Ruben Guthrie (7-10 p.m.)



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GIRLS SOCCER REGIONAL

HANOVER ROUNDUP

Panthers roll over Mount in men's soccer, 9-0

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Hanover College men's soccer scored a dominating 9-0 win over Mount St. Joseph at home on Wednesday.

Omar Dizdar scored three goals to lead the Panthers with Mateus Da Mota Correia De Araujo scoring two goals and McLain Barber, Henrique Sambrano and Michael Tymkiw adding one each. Barber, Xander Ochsner, Miles McMillen, Cole Hubert and Dizdar each had assists.

Hanover out-shot Mount 39-2 overall and 26-1 on goal. Rodrigo Gutierrez Olvera Gonzalez had one save in goal for the Panthers.

Hanover, now 5-5-3 overall and 3-1-1 in the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference, hosts Berea on Saturday and heads to Transylvania (6-4-2, 3-1-1) next Wednesday. Hanover and Transy both trail Rose-Hulman (6-4-3, 4-0-1 HCAC).

WOMEN'S SOCCER FALLS TO MOUNT

Hanover women's soccer lost 2-1 at Mount St. Joseph on Wednesday.

Trailing 1-0, Beth Cook scored on a penalty kick for Hanover in the 42nd minute to send the game into halftime tied 1-1.

Mount's Payge Callahan then scored off an assist by Ella Pittman in the 78th minute to claim the win. Mount's first goals had come in the 8th minute by Mckenzie Schneeman off an assist by Kerigan Pollard.

Hanover, now 8-4 overall and 3-2 in the HCAC, hosts Berea on Saturday and hosts Transylvania next Wednesday.

Mount is now 6-3-4 overall and tied atop the HCAC standings with Rose-Hulman, both at 4-0-1 in league play while Transy is 3-0-2.

LOCAL SPORTS CALENDAR

FRIDAY, OCT. 18

CROSS COUNTRY

Hanover, Jenna Strong Classic at Wilmington, 4:30 p.m.

FOOTBALL

Madison at Milan, 7 p.m.  
Switzerland Co. at North Decatur, 7 p.m.  
Carroll Co. at Beechwood, 7:30 p.m.  
Trimble Co. hosts Covington Holy Cross, 7:30 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Hanover at Earlham, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCT. 19

CROSS COUNTRY

Madison, Shawe, Southwestern, Switzerland Co., IHSAA Sectional at Hanover College, 9:30 a.m.

FOOTBALL

Hanover at Anderson, 1:30 p.m.

SOCCER

Shawe/Oldenburg boys vs. Scecina/Greenwood Christian, IHSAA Class A Regional at Knightstown, 4 p.m.  
Hanover women hosts Berea, 1 p.m.  
Hanover men hosts Berea, 3:30 p.m.

SWIMMING

Hanover, Dill Invite at Terre Haute, 1 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Madison/Corydon vs. Charlestown, IHSAA Class 3A Sectional at Silver Creek, 11 a.m. (championship, 6 p.m.)  
Switzerland Co./Brown Co. vs. Brownstown, IHSAA Class 2A Sectional at Brownstown, 11 a.m. (championship, 6 p.m.)  
Southwestern/Austin vs. South Ripley, IHSAA Class 3A Sectional at Brownstown, 12:30 p.m. (championship, 6 p.m.)  
Hanover hosts Ohio Wesleyan, 2 p.m.

SUNDAY, OCT. 20

No local events

MONDAY, OCT. 21

VOLLEYBALL

Carroll Co., Trimble Co., KHSAA 31st District Tournament, TBA

TUESDAY, OCT. 22

VOLLEYBALL

Carroll Co., Trimble Co., KHSAA 31st District Tournament, TBA



David Campbell

Lawrenceburg goalie Hillary Knippenberg (right) stops an early shot from Madison's Kyra Ayler (24) during the Cubs' 6-1 loss in the regional semifinal at Cub Field on Wednesday.

Madison's record-setting season comes to an end

BY DAVID CAMPBELL

Madison's girls soccer team did everything it wanted in the first 10 minutes of its first regional game in 22 years. The Cubs attacked their opponent's goal, played fast and physical and were not intimidated in the least as they steamed down one of the best teams in the state.

But that still wasn't enough. Lawrenceburg survived two early scoring threats by Madison and then the No. 2-ranked Tigers took control, scoring four first-half goals en route to a 6-1 win in the Class 2A Regional Semifinals at Cub Field on Wednesday.

The onslaught by Lawrenceburg was surgical. The Tigers had nearly as many shots as Madison in the first half but converted on half of theirs to blow the game open early and cruise into the regional championship game on Saturday.

Despite the loss, first-year Madison coach Marcus Hale was thrilled with the way his team accounted for itself in the face of such adversity.

"All the credit to Lawrenceburg. They did exactly what they needed to do. They're good tactically, technically, in terms of knowing where to go with the ball and the first touch," Hale said. "One thing I'm probably the most proud of, particularly what you say today is, they're not going to quit, and they didn't. They played until the very end."

Madison (14-5) was playing in its first regional contest since 2002 and, with the backing of a large home crowd, attacked from the start. The Cubs had three great chances to stun Lawrenceburg in that first 10 minutes, but two shots by Kyra Ayler and one from Kamea Phelps were either stopped by Tiger goalie Hillary Knippenberg or scooted wide of the mark.

Had one or more of those opportunities found the net, it may very well have been a different game. But once Lawrenceburg gained its footing, the Tigers quickly took over.

Lawrenceburg (18-1) scored its first goal in the 12th minute when Mylee McAdams stormed the Madison box and beat Cub goalie Peighton Chatham to the ball for an easy score. The second came in the 21st minute when Stevi Peak redirected a cross into the net.

The third goal came in the 23rd minute on a Preslee Rugg shot that saw the senior cross the ball far from the left side and past Chatham. The final goal of the half was in the 26th minute on a Ava Merkel goal.

Lawrenceburg out-shot Madison just 8-5 in that first half but seven of those attempts were on target and the Tigers held a 4-0 lead.

"We had at least two or three really good goal scoring opportunities if they go in, we go into the half down 2-1 or 3-1 or whatever and it feels

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David Campbell

Madison's Autumn Ross (22) jumps up to control a throw-in during the Cubs' 6-1 loss to Lawrenceburg in the regional semifinal on Thursday.

KENTUCKY PREP ROUNDUP

Carroll soccer teams both fall in regional

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Carroll County's soccer teams both saw their seasons end with losses in the Eighth Region Tournament quarterfinals on Monday in Carrollton.

The Carroll boys lost 8-0 to South Oldham and the girls lost 3-1 to Oldham County.

Carroll's boys end the season with an 8-8 record. The girls end the year at 11-8-2.

TRIMBLE VOLLEYBALL FALLS

Trimble County's volleyball team suffered a three-set loss to Grant County at home on Tuesday.

The Raiders lost 25-17, 25-23, 25-22. No details from the match were available.

Trimble ends the regular season with a 14-14 record. The 31st District Tournament begins next week. No pairings have been announced.



David Campbell

Trimble County's Shelby Wright zeroes in on a dig during the Raiders' volleyball match with Grant County on Tuesday.

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# No. 16 Indiana seeks to extend perfect season

BY MICHAEL MAROT  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Indiana Hoosiers already accomplished more than anybody expected this season. They're bowl eligible at the earliest moment in school history. They're 6-0 for the first time since 1967 and the second time in school history. They're ranked No. 16, marking the first time since 2020 they've appeared in the AP Top 25 in three consecutive weeks. And they'll face Nebraska on Saturday in front of their first sellout this season.

Yet, the Hoosiers feel like there's still so much to do following the first of two open weeks. So naturally first-year coach Curt Cignetti and his players couldn't wait to get back to work.

"It's like Mike Krzyzewski said when he retired: His toughest opponent was human nature. Human nature, because it's natural to feel good, this and that, things are great," Cignetti said, referring to the former Duke men's basketball coach. "But that's not what this game is all about when it comes to preparation and stepping between the white lines. You've got to have some special characteristics to be able to deal with success."

So far the Hoosiers (6-0, 3-0 Big Ten) have navigated their journey without a hitch.

They've topped the 40-point mark in a school-record five straight games. They've won all six by 14 or more points. They're one of only two FBS programs that has not trailed all season, and they're making what they hope will be the first of many appearances on national television.

But they haven't played anyone quite like Nebraska (5-1, 2-1) — yet.

The Cornhuskers enter this weekend on the cusp of cracking the Top 25 for the second time this season after rebounding from a home loss to Illinois with two straight wins. They're one of the nation's stingiest defenses, need one win to end a seven-year bowl drought and have had two weeks to game plan for Indiana quarterback Kurtis Rourke and the FBS' No. 2 scoring offense (47.5 points).

Nebraska coach Matt Ruhle knows it will be a challenge.

"This is probably a top 10 football team," Ruhle said. "They started the season unranked so they're maybe not getting the due they're supposed to get. Coach Cignetti has done an amazing job. Their quarterback is absolutely fantastic, they've got playmakers. They're good on special teams. It's a great team."

And a Hoosiers offense Nebraska must slow down to have any chance

of knocking out of their share of the Big Ten lead.

"I think if we plan, we will play well," Nebraska linebacker Josh Bullock said. "Obviously, it's not a night game, but it's a big game so I think our guys will have the right mind-set."

## BIG TIME

The game will be the feature attraction on Fox's Big Noon Saturday broadcast, a rarity for the Hoosiers. It's the first time the Fox studio crew has visited Bloomington, Indiana, since Oct. 8, 2022, when Indiana lost 31-10 to then-No. 4 Michigan.

And despite starting this season with more than 50 new faces on Indiana's roster, Cignetti has a large group of players who have played in big college games, including 13 players who followed him from a James Madison team that won its first 10 games.

"I think it's more about us performing as well as we're capable of and giving the crowd a reason to really get into the game," Cignetti said. "I have a lot of confidence in this group. It's an experienced group, high-character guys."

## FRESH TEST

Nebraska's improved defense has been the primary reason for its resurgence this season. Another reason: The emergence of first-year quarterback Dylan Raiola. While his numbers haven't exactly jumped off the page — he's completing 66.9% of his throws with 1,358 yards, nine touchdown passes and three interceptions — he's done more than enough to keep the Cornhuskers in the winning column.

Raiola went 17 of 27 with 257 yards and one TD in his only other road game, a 28-10 victory at Purdue. But this game will be a very different kind of challenge for Raiola.

"We love being the underdog," he said. "A lot of people view Nebraska as an underdog, and we like it that way. Going into their stadium and their place it will be a fun environment, and we look forward to putting up our best fight and go win the game."

## TOP 10

Ruhle's comment about the Hoosiers being a Top 10 team isn't just chatter.

Nationally, the Hoosiers rank among the top 10 in scoring, total offense (fourth, 515.7 yards per game), passing offense (10th, 315.3 yards) and rushing defense (sixth, 83.8 yards) — one spot ahead of Nebraska's run defense (84.2).

Indiana also is ranked 11th in scoring defense (14.83 points) and 21st in pass defense (171.8), with its lowest ranking coming in rushing offense (31st, 200.3).

# After sweating out 'ugly' win, Bengals turn attention to struggling Browns

BY MITCH STACY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — There were some tense moments for the Cincinnati Bengals as they tried to gut out their first-ever road win over the New York Giants.

Chief among them was quarterback Joe Burrow ducking into the medical tent to be evaluated for a concussion after taking a hard shot on a third-down incompletion.

Another came with 3:05 left and the Giants, trailing 10-7, lining up to go for it on fourth-and-2 from the Bengals 36.

Both worked out in Cincinnati's favor. Burrow ended up being fine and went back in the game. And on the fourth-down play, Bengals cornerback DJ Turner batted away a pass from Daniel Jones intended for Darius Slayton.

That gave the ball back to the Bengals, and on the first play after the two-minute warning, Chase Brown broke away for a 30-yard touchdown run. That all but sealed the strange 17-7 win, one that the Bengals (2-4) sorely needed.

Burrow called it ugly, and it was a lot of the time. But after losing in overtime to visiting Baltimore



AP Photo/Frank Franklin II

Cincinnati Bengals quarterback Joe Burrow (9) celebrates with running back Chase Brown (30) and guard Cordell Volson (67) after scoring on a 47-yard touchdown run during the first half of an NFL football game against the New York Giants, Sunday in East Rutherford, N.J.

last week, the Bengals will take it.

"We're 2-4, so we're trying to find ourselves," said Burrow, who scrambled for a career-long 47-yard touchdown in the first quarter. "We're trying to find wins. We found one today."

## WHAT'S WORKING

The Bengals' much-maligned defense, now back to full strength, finally showed up. Cincinnati was in Jones' face all night. Edge rusher Trey Hendrickson had two sacks. The unit forced four punts and two turnovers on

downs and had an interception.

## WHAT NEEDS HELP

Burrow was sacked a season-high four times and was constantly pressured. ... Until Brown's fourth-quarter TD, he and RB Zack Moss had combined for just 36 yards on the ground. The Bengals are averaging just over 100 rushing yards per game. ... Offensive line play has been a recurring problem.

## STOCK UP

B.J. Hill was a disruptive force playing against his former team after returning

from a hamstring injury. In the first quarter with the Giants in the red zone, Hill was bearing down on Jones when the quarterback threw a desperate floater that was intercepted by linebacker Germaine Pratt.

## STOCK DOWN

Burrow called the 47-yard touchdown run "one of my few good plays." He's not entirely wrong. He threw for 208 yards without a touchdown. He was sacked a season-high four times and as much he had to scramble, it could have been worse. Part of the problem was an offensive line that had trouble blocking Giants pass rushers.

## INJURIES

Other than Burrow's concussion scare, there were no reported injuries.

## KEY NUMBER

4 for 11 (36.4%) — The Bengals' third-down conversion rate against the Giants.

## NEXT STEPS

The Bengals will try to take advantage of a struggling AFC North rival when they visit Cleveland (1-5) on Sunday.

# Colts receiver Pittman Jr. shows Titans he can make tough look easy

BY MICHAEL MAROT  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Indianapolis Colts receiver Michael Pittman Jr. tends to overcome the toughest challenges.

Take Sunday at Tennessee.

Four days after reports came out that he suffered a back injury which might keep him out multiple weeks, Pittman caught three passes for 35 yards and may have salvaged Indy's playoff hopes by outjumping a defender for the go-ahead 10-yard TD catch in a 20-17 win over the Titans.

It's no surprise in Indy's locker room.

"I've only been here — what week is this six? Week 5, Week 6? He's got to be one of the toughest players I've played with," said quarterback Joe Flacco, a 17-year veteran. "It's awesome, I mean when you have guys like that you can go a long way, and that's the kind of guys you need to have to play winning football. He's unbelievable for that."

While some may discount Pittman's value because his numbers and highlights don't always stand out, the Colts (3-3) never have. They're relied



John Amis / AP

Indianapolis Colts wide receiver Michael Pittman Jr. (11) makes a touchdown catch against Tennessee Titans' L'Jarius Sneed (38) during the second half of an NFL football game on Sunday in Nashville, Tenn.

on Pittman's reliable leadership by example style for so long, they gave him a contract extension worth \$70 million in March.

He's been worth every penny so far.

From training camp dustups to small skirmishes during joint practices to his response after taking a dangerous hit to the head last December against Pittsburgh, Pittman never backs down. His performance against the Titans (1-4) was a perfect example.

When Flacco needed to find someone to beat a blitz on third-and-9, he

backpedaled and lobbed the perfect pass to let Pittman use his size advantage to win the jump ball — and hang on as he hit the field.

"I wanted to jump before he jumped, and, honestly, I didn't want to be too high because it (the game) wasn't over yet," Pittman said. "Obviously, I was excited. But I knew, 'Hey, the game's not over yet. We've still got time.' So, you know, just keep it moving. And then I kept it level and then it led to another decent play."

That 16-yard catch went for a first down, nearly allowing the Colts to run

out the clock with another play Pittman made look easy.

"He just showed up. Like I said, the toughest guy I've ever been around and when we needed a play, he made the big time play," coach Shane Steichen said. "Just a credit to him and his toughness."

## WHAT'S WORKING

Flacco. At age 39, the Super Bowl 47 MVP isn't flashy. He wins with smarts. Since replacing injured starter Anthony Richardson, Flacco has completed 70% of his throws with five TD passes and one interception while leading Indy to two wins in three games.

## WHAT NEEDS WORK

Ground game. A sprained ankle prevented Jonathan Taylor, the 2021 NFL rushing champ, from finishing the Steelers game three weeks ago, and in the two full games he's missed, Indy is averaging 3.8 yards on 48 carries. Flacco — or Richardson — need a more balanced attack to keep defenses honest.

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# NCAA closes loophole that allowed Oregon to induce late penalty in win

BY ANNE M. PETERSON  
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The NCAA football rules committee issued guidance Wednesday to close a loophole that allowed

second-ranked Oregon to exploit an illegal substitution penalty late in its victory over Ohio State to take time off the clock.

With Ohio State driving on its final possession of the game and just seconds left on the clock, Oregon was flagged for having too many defenders on the field, drawing a 5-yard penalty. While the Buckeyes gained 5 yards, the move took four seconds off the clock. The Ducks went on to win 32-31.

"After the Two-Minute Timeout in either half, if the defense commits a substitution foul and 12 or more players are on the field and participate in a down, officials will penalize the defense for the

foul and at the option of the offended team, reset the game clock back to the time displayed at the snap," the guidance said.

"The game clock will then restart on the next snap," it continued. "If the 12th defender was attempting to exit but was still on the field at the snap and had no influence on the play, then the normal substitution penalty would be enforced with no clock adjustment."

Steve Shaw, NCAA coordinator of football officials, said in a statement that a "guiding principle of the NCAA Football Rules Committee is that there should be no benefit when a team commits a penalty."

"The goal of this in-season interpretation is to eliminate a potential clock advantage for committing a substitution foul and take away any gain for the defense if they violate the

substitution rule," he said.

Ohio State coach Ryan Day has not commented on the play. Ohio State was hampered on the final drive by an offensive pass interference call that pushed the Buckeyes back.

Oregon coach Dan Lanning seemed to indicate that the Ducks took advantage of the loophole during his Monday news conference ahead.

"We spend an inordinate amount of time on situations and some situations don't come up very often in college football, but this was obviously something we had worked on," Lanning said. "You can see the result."

Oregon took the lead with 1:47 left on Atticus Sappington's 19-yard field goal in Saturday night's game, giving the Buckeyes time to drive down the field for a potential winning field goal. With Ohio State facing a third-and-25

from the Oregon 43, the Ducks called a timeout with 10 seconds left.

Just before the ball was snapped, Oregon defensive back Dontae Manning walked onto the field, giving the Ducks an extra defender. Ohio State failed to complete a pass against Oregon's 12-man defense on the next play, and the Ducks were flagged for an illegal substitution penalty.

Ohio State gained 5 yards on the penalty but lost four seconds off the clock since the penalty was deemed a live-ball foul. The Buckeyes were left with six seconds on the clock, and quarterback Will Howard scrambled up the middle, sliding a second too late for Ohio State to call a timeout for a potential game-winning field goal at the Oregon 26.

The Buckeyes dropped two spots to No. 4 in the AP Top 25 following the loss.

## LOCAL LEAGUES

### HANOVER PARKS DEPARTMENT

**Monday, Oct. 14**

Madison Church Volleyball  
Hallelujah Division  
24/7 Life d. New Heart No. 1, 25-15, 25-10.

Wirt Baptist No. 2 d. Falls City No. 3, 25-18, 20-25, 16-14.  
Falls City No. 2 d. Mount Pleasant Baptist, 25-21, 12-25, 15-11.

Hope Valley No. 2 d. First Baptist, 25-21, 25-16.  
Falls City No. 2 d. Hope Valley No. 2, 25-9, 18-25, 15-9.

Falls City No. 3 d. New Heart No. 2, 25-11, 22-25, 15-4.

Praise Division  
Dupont Baptist d. Hanover Baptist, 27-25, 24-26, 15-10.

Falls City No. 1 d. Dupont Baptist, 25-23, 14-25, 16-14.

Falls City No. 1 d. Hope Valley No. 1, 25-19, 18-25, 15-13.

Wirt Baptist No. 1 d. Hanover Baptist, 25-11, 25-12.

**Tuesday, Oct. 15**

Youth Volleyball  
Jendy's Pizzeria Bumpin'  
Beauty Bees d. The Farm Off Road Family Diggin' Divas, 25-20, 25-16.

Miller Automotive Ney  
Ninjas d. Greves TV & Appliances Home Center One  
Hit Wonders, 27-25, 25-26, 16-14.

K.E.Y. Manufacturing Purple  
Aces d. Andersons' Sales & Service, Inc Stylin' Servers, 25-19, 25-21.



# New Kentucky coach shows off letterman-style jacket at media day

**BY JOHN ZENOR**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Mark Pope left no doubt where he played college basketball, in case anyone didn't already know.

The new Kentucky coach and former Wildcats player sported a UK letterman-style jacket at the podium for Southeastern Conference media day on Tuesday.

Pope claimed the jacket from a rack of blue and white swag set up by equipment man Mark Evans for recruits to try on for a photo shoot.

“And I saw this jacket, and I'm like, forget the recruits, man. That is too good. I've got to have it,” Pope said. “In a general sense, as an old man, I'm trying to look a little younger.”

The jacket listed the Wildcats' eight NCAA championship teams on the back, but it also served as an unintended reminder that the last one came in 2012.

Pope was a captain of Kentucky's 1996 championship team. Jaxson Robinson, who followed him from BYU, was a fan of the jacket.

“It's nice. He was wearing it

a couple of days ago,” Robinson said. “I like it. I wish I had one.”

## PRESEASON RANKINGS DROUGHTS BROKEN

No. 24 Mississippi will enter the season ranked for only the second time and first since starting at No. 23 in 1997-98. The 21st-ranked Florida Gators are ranked for the first time in preseason since 2019.

They're marks of progress for the Rebels going into Chris Beard's second season. Florida's third-year coach, Todd Golden, is coming off an NCAA Tournament trip and the Gators' first appearance in the SEC Tournament championship game in a decade.

“I think it says that we're on the right track,” Golden said of the ranking. “We're not spending a whole lot of time applauding ourselves on being ranked 21st. We appreciate the respect that we're receiving from the AP, and it means a lot to us.

“But unless we're better than that at the end of the year, we're going to think of it as being a disappointing year.”

Beard said the rankings show “respect for your players

more than anything.”

“Proud of that. We don't spend any time talking about that to our players, but I think it's good for our fan base,” he said.

## PROVING DOUBTERS WRONG

South Carolina coach Lamont Paris couldn't make any sense out of last year's prediction that his team would finish last.

Now, the Gamecocks are picked to finish a modest 11th after defying the naysayers by winding up in a four-way tie for second.

“I wondered how many questions it was going to take before somebody referenced last year,” said Paris, who wound up being named SEC coach of the year.

“You know how I feel about rankings. Honestly, I think it's a favor to be put in a position where you have to prove yourself.”

As for his players, Paris said: “There's nothing that could be better than to be ranked in a way that they perceive as disrespectful.”

## PAINFUL REMINDER

Auburn players and coaches

get a daily reminder of how last season ended. The Tigers' hopes of a deep NCAA Tournament run ended with a 78-76 first-round loss to Yale after winning the SEC tourney.

“We have it on our board: 78-76. We look at it all the time until the season comes up,” forward Johni Broome said.

Now, Auburn is ranked No. 11 entering the season and picked to finish behind only rival Alabama in the SEC.

“Nobody's satisfied with how the season ended,” Broome said of the Yale game. “Everybody knows that it's still a sour taste in our mouth.”

## MISSOURI'S QUEST

The Missouri Tigers appeared to upgrade the roster significantly from a team that went 0-18 in the SEC last season.

The Tigers added transfers Mark Mitchell (Duke), Tony Perkins (Iowa) and Marques Warrick (Northern Kentucky). The recruiting class was ranked No. 5 in the 247Sports composite ratings.

“For me it was making sure we had unbelievable talent, could play in different styles but also had experience,” coach Dennis Gates said.

## TEXAS REUNION

Texas coach Rodney Terry will face his former boss and predecessor, Mississippi's Beard, on Jan. 29.

Terry was elevated to interim coach after Beard's mid-season firing in January, 2023, and then was hired as his replacement after leading an Elite Eight run

“Chris Beard and I go way, way back,” Terry said. “We're talking about 25 years of friendship. One of my really close friends in the business.”

Beard's two-year tenure at alma mater Texas ended abruptly in January 2023 following a domestic violence arrest. Felony domestic charges were ultimately dismissed.

Beard received a new contract before the SEC Tournament.

## QUOTABLE

“He will go down in the annals of history as one of the best players to ever play at A&M,” Texas A&M coach Buzz Williams on guard Wade Taylor IV.

Taylor needs 402 points to catch Bernard King's school career mark of 1,990 points.

## POLL

# Kansas tops preseason AP Top 25 for men's basketball

**BY DAVE SKRETTA**  
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Kansas was picked first in the AP Top 25 preseason men's basketball poll Monday, getting the No. 1 nod on half of the 60 ballots from a national media panel to start the season ahead of Alabama and two-time defending national champion UConn.

Kansas scooped up 30 first-place votes from the AP panel. The Crimson Tide, led by All-American guard Mark Sears and Jarin Stevenson, earned 14 first-place votes and UConn, which is trying to become the first school since John Wooden's teams at UCLA to win three straight titles, received 11 first-place votes and is third.

Houston earned four first-place votes and is fourth ahead of Iowa State, which returns its top four scorers from a team that was a No. 2 seed in the NCAA Tournament. Gonzaga received one first-place vote and is the sixth. Duke, led by consensus No. 1 recruit Cooper Flagg, is seventh ahead of Baylor, North Carolina and Arizona in the top 10.

The Jayhawks were preseason No. 1 a year ago, too, but the season hardly went as planned. They were dragged down by injuries and struggled in Big 12 play, and a team led by All-American center Hunter Dickinson ultimately was routed by Cincinnati in the conference tournament and Gonzaga in the second round of the NCAA Tournament.

Kansas coach Bill Self retooled in the offseason, landing one of the nation's top transfer classes. A.J. Storr of Wisconsin, South Dakota State guard Zeke Mayo and Rylan Griffen from Alabama are part of a versatile bunch joining Dickinson and fellow seniors

Dajuan Harris Jr. and KJ Adams Jr. — both part of their 2022 national title squad — to form a deeper and more talented team.

“We welcome being No. 1, especially with our returning players like Hunter, Dajuan and KJ, and then you add the players we brought in,” Self said. “The goal is to be No. 1 at the end of the season, and though we welcome this, it is not the end goal.”

The new-look Big 12, which lost Oklahoma and Texas but welcomed Arizona, Arizona State, Utah and Colorado, has three of the top five and five of the top 10 in the preseason AP poll. The SEC leads the way with nine in the Top 25.

“To have three Big 12 teams in the top five and five in the top 10 just shows how competitive this league will be,” Self said. “Every year we talk about the Big 12 being the toughest conference in the nation and with the four additions it became even stronger.” No. 11 Auburn, Tennessee and Texas A&M start off the second 10, followed by Purdue and Creighton. John Calipari has Arkansas at No. 16 with Indiana, Marquette, Texas and Cincinnati — making its first poll appearance since 2019 — in the top 20. The Boilermakers are trying to win a third straight Big Ten title after the departure of AP player of the year Zach Edey.

“We have three starters back from a Final Four team. We have five freshmen. We have a lot of guys with experience outside of those three starters,” Purdue coach Matt Painter said. “We're excited about it. We're excited about this group.”

Florida, UCLA, Kentucky, Ole Miss and Rutgers round out the preseason Top 25.

“I'm excited about the

expectations,” said Rutgers coach Steve Pikiell, whose team is ranked in the preseason poll for the first time since 1978. “We always had high expectations, and now in a league with 18 teams, you know, people are saying, ‘How good are you? There's 18 teams. They're great coaches.’ I don't know where we sit. If you came to our practice yesterday, you would say, ‘Oh, boy.’ And if you came a couple of days earlier, you might think, ‘Hey, they're going to be pretty good.’”

## OUTSIDE LOOKING IN

Illinois is tops among others receiving votes after reaching the Elite Eight. Rick Pitino has St. John's on the doorstep along with Xavier, Texas Tech and Wake Forest. The first regular-season poll is due out Nov. 11.

## TRYING TO MAKE HISTORY

Four schools that have never appeared in the Top 25 received preseason votes, led by McNeese State, which went back to the NCAA Tournament last season. Little Rock, Grand Canyon and High Point also received votes.

## STATS AND STREAKS

Kansas is ranked No. 1 in the preseason poll for the fifth time, trailing only North Carolina (10), Duke (9) and UCLA (8) for the most since the preseason rankings debuted in 1962. ... Houston has the longest active Top 25 streak at 86 weeks. The Jayhawks are second at 65. ... Iowa State has its best preseason ranking in school history. Texas A&M matched its best. ... Kentucky is in the preseason poll for a record 57th time. The Tar Heels appear for the 55th time.

# Clark first rookie to make All-WNBA 1st team since 2008

**BY DOUG FEINBERG**  
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MINNEAPOLIS — Rookie guard Caitlin Clark added another accolade to her outstanding first season, earning All-WNBA honors Wednesday.

The Indiana Fever guard became the first rookie to make the team since Candace Parker did it in 2008. She's the fifth rookie ever to have that honor, joining Sue Bird, Tamika Catchings and Diana Taurasi.

Las Vegas Aces forward A'ja Wilson and Minnesota's

Napheesa Collier were unanimous first-team selections. Breanna Stewart of New York and Alyssa Thomas of Connecticut rounded out the positionless five-person team.

Wilson, the league's unanimous choice as MVP, earned a spot on the first team for the third consecutive season and fourth time overall. Collier, a three-time All-WNBA team selection, was voted to the first team for the second straight year.

Clark earned 52 first-team votes and was on 66 of the 67 ballots that were sub-

mitted by a national media panel. She averaged a league-high 8.4 assists per game in addition to 19.2 points, 5.7 rebounds and 1.3 steals per game. She made 122 3-pointers to lead the league and helped the Fever make the playoffs for the first time since 2016. New York had three of the 10 players on the two teams with Sabrina Ionescu and Jonquel Jones earning second-team honors. They were joined by Phoenix's Kahleah Copper, Seattle's Nneka Ogwumike and Dallas' Arike Ogunbowale.

# Pitino makes visit to Kentucky

‘I’m so happy to be back’ to support Pope

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Rick Pitino was wildly cheered in a surprise return to Rupp Arena, with the Hall of Fame coach saying “I am so happy to be back” in a show of support for first-year Kentucky coach and former captain Mark Pope on Friday night at the Big Blue Madness public practice.

Pitino, who guided Kentucky back from NCAA sanctions to the 1996

national championship before later becoming an enemy to the fervent fan base for coaching rival Louisville, dropped in near the end of the exhibition and received a standing ovation. Pitino currently coaches St. John's but has been a vocal booster of Pope as he took over the storied program in April after Hall of Famer John Calipari left for Arkansas.

As a group of former Wildcat greats gathered around Pope, Pitino entered the Rupp Arena floor while a video clip of him was played. He said he wanted to “go back

to Camelot” one more time and acknowledged the fans he said made him happy every day for eight years.

“And now we get to root for someone that that name Kentucky, it's what he's all about,” said Pitino, dressed in a blue zip pullover with a white UK logo. “The most selfless, humble young man I've ever coached in my lifetime. One of the great, great examples of what Kentucky basketball is all about ... He's going to lead you to greatness in every sense of the word. Thank you all very much.”



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# MLB final 4 includes big spenders Mets, Yankees, Dodgers

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NEW YORK — “Big Spender” is the theme music for baseball’s final four.

The New York Mets, New York Yankees and Los Angeles Dodgers are in the League Championship Series with the sport’s top three payrolls, joined by Cleveland at No. 23.

“You have to scratch and claw and match up and make moves, take shots and hope that it works,” Guardians manager Stephen Vogt said. “Whereas for the other three teams, for the majorities, they set their lineup and go play.” The Mets-Dodgers National League Championship Series starting Sunday and the Yankees-Guardians American League matchup beginning Monday feature some of baseball’s biggest stars in Shohei Ohtani, Mookie Betts, Aaron Judge, Juan Soto, Francisco Lindor and Pete Alonso. Cleveland has the best closer in Emmanuel Clase and a top hitter in José Ramírez.

Playoff pairings bring to the forefront the question of whether spending equates to success.

“Obviously, spending more gives you a better chance — you’re bringing in more players,” Mets reliever Adam Ottavino said. “But obviously it hasn’t always played out that way.”

The Mets have the top payroll of \$332 million, followed by the Yankees at \$311 million and the Dodgers at \$266 million, according to Major League Baseball’s latest projections (final figures aren’t calculated until winter, after all bonuses have been determined). The Guardians are at \$109 million. “I’m not thinking about payroll,” Dodgers manager Dave Roberts said. “I’m thinking about our 26 guys and beating the Mets. That’s it.”

Texas was sixth in payroll last year at \$241 million when it won the World Series against Arizona, which was 20th at \$129 million. The only top spenders to win titles since the current luxury tax started have been the 2020 Dodgers, 2018 Red Sox and 2009 Yankees. Boston

has won twice with a top-three payroll, as the second-biggest spender in 2004 and 2007, and the third-highest in 2013.

Seven of the last 21 champions have had payrolls outside the top 10: the 2021 Braves (14th), 2017 Astros (18th), 2015 Royals (13th), 2011 Cardinals (11th), 2010 Giants (11th), 2005 White Sox (13th) and 2003 Marlins (20th). “As far as the payroll goes, ultimately it comes down to playing good baseball,” said San Diego manager Mike Shildt, whose team ranked 15th and lost to Los Angeles in a five-game Division Series.

The Dodgers and Mets will be meeting in the post-season for the fourth time after the 1988 NLCS won by LA and the 2006 and ‘15 NLDS won by New York. The 1988 matchup was marked by the ejection of Dodgers pitcher Jay Howell in Game 3 for having pine tar on his glove and the 2015 NLDS was marred by the Dodgers’ Chase Utley breaking a leg of shortstop Ruben Tejada while trying to break up a double play. MLB responded by banning rolling body blocks before the 2016 season.

After the Mets took two of three at Dodger Stadium this April, Los Angeles swept New York at Citi Field in late May, prompting a players-only meeting that sparked New York’s turnaround from a 22-33 start.

Jack Flaherty starts the opener for the Dodgers and Kodai Senga for the Mets, in just his third appearance of an injury-filled season. Sean Manaea pitches Game 2 for New York, which earned three days off by beating Philadelphia in a four-game Division Series.

Dodgers All-Star first baseman Freddie Freeman, playing with a sprained right ankle, was 4 for 14 with no RBIs in the NLDS.

Cleveland and the Yankees will be playing in the postseason for the seventh time. Cleveland won the Division Series in 1997 and 2007, and it lost the 1998 ALCS, Division Series in 2017 and ‘22 and the wild-card round in 2020.

# Bars, restaurants seeing greater customer demand for women’s sports

BY ANDREW SELIGMAN  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — Josh Pehlke remembers having to beg and plead at bars and restaurants to get them to show WNBA games just a few years ago. Too often, the answer was a flat-out no.

These days, he doesn’t have to worry as much.

As the general manager at Signature Bar & Restaurant in Chicago’s South Loop neighborhood, about a 3-point shot from the Chicago Sky’s home at Wintrust Arena, he has some say. But even when he’s not at work, he has noticed a difference.

“I’ve been to Cubs games this season and gone into sports bars in Wrigleyville and found the WNBA on TV, whereas two or three years ago, that wasn’t happening,” Pehlke said.

The WNBA drew sell-out crowds and unprecedented ratings in a transformational season that’s winding down with a finals matchup between the New York Liberty, seeking their first title, and the Minnesota Lynx going for their record fifth. The best-of-five series opened Thursday with Minnesota rallying to beat New York in overtime.

Whether it was Indiana’s Caitlin Clark and Chicago’s Angel Reese taking

their captivating rivalry from college to the pros, Simone Biles capturing more gold at the Olympics or 92,003 fans packing Nebraska’s football stadium for a volleyball game, women’s sports in general are drawing more eyeballs.

Sports bars and restaurants are taking note, adjusting their marketing and menus in order to attract a wider range of customers. At least some say they’re seeing an increased demand for women’s sports on their TVs, though the evidence is more anecdotal than statistical. A handful catering specifically to women’s sports have opened in recent years, such as The Sports Bra in Portland, Oregon.

Either way, fans have options if they want to grab a bite and a drink and watch a game away from home.

“You’ll see small groups of women coming out to watch the actual sports,” Bar Louie CEO Brian Wright said. “And you see a lot of men requesting women’s sports now. So it’s kind of an entire paradigm shift of how women’s sports are being viewed. You very seldom saw a group of men coming in saying, ‘Can you put on that WNBA game?’ Now, that’s really becoming commonplace.”

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3	WAVE	6	2	WAV..	NBCN..	WAV..	News	Happy'	Lopez..	Dateline NBC				WAV..
4	WTTV	4		CBS4..	CBSN..	BigBa..	Sheldon	S.W.A.T. (SP)		Fire (N) (SP)		Blue Bloods (N)	CBS4..	
5	WLWT	2		News	NBCN..	WLWT	Hollyw..	Happy'	Lopez..	Dateline NBC				News
8	WISH	12		News (N)		Inside..	ET (N)	Whose..	Whose..	Joan (N)		News (N)	News	
9	WCPO	23		News	World..	BLINK	Parade	Shark Tank		20/20 (N)			News	
11	WHAS	11	4	News	World..	ET (N)	Inside..	Shark Tank		20/20 (N)			News	
15	WKPC	13		Ameri..	Edition	PBS News (N)			Comm..	Week	Mel Brooks	NEXT (N)		
19	WXIX	10		FOX19	FOX19	Wheel	Jeopar..	College Football			Oregon at Purdue (N) (Live)			
32	WLKY	5	5	News	CBSN..	Wheel	Jeopar..	S.W.A.T. (SP)		Fire (N) (SP)		Blue Bloods (N)	News	
34	WBKI	7	7	Neighb..	Conners	Sheldon	BigBa..	Whose..	Whose..	Joan (N)		BigBa..	Sheldon	LastM..
41	WDRB	8	9	News	News	FamFe..	FamFe..	College Football			Oregon at Purdue (N) (Live)			
A&E		28	36	The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		First48
AMC		29	26	(5:00) ♣ Last House on the...		♣♣♣ House of Wax ('05)		Elisha Cuthbert.			♣♣ Thirteen Ghosts ('01)			
COM		45	59	Office	Office	Family..	Family..	Family..	Family..	Family..	Family..	Family..	Family..	Family..
DISC		31	38	Gold Rush-Res.		Gold Rush-Res.		Gold Rush-Res. (N)			Bering Sea (N)		Outba..	
DISN		25	29	Bluey	Big City	Big City	Big City	♣♣♣ The Incredibles ('04)			Hamst..		Hamst..	Kiff
ESPN		32	44	SportCtr (N)		SportC..	Count..	2024 WNBA Finals			Scoreb.. /(:15) Football			
FREE		18	40	Movie	(:25) ♣♣♣ Hocus Pocus ('93)			♣ Hocus Pocus 2 ('22) Bette Midler.			700Club			
FX		40	28	(4:30) ♣ Malefice...		♣♣♣ Cruella ('21)		Emma Thompson, Emma Stone.			Social Studies (N) (SF)			
HBO		201	17	Movie	Franch..			♣ The Huntsman: Winter's War			(:55) Penguin		Real Time (N)	To Be
MAX		270	73	♣♣♣ RoboCop ('14)				♣♣♣ Sinister 2 ('15)		(:50) ♣♣♣ Terminator Salvation				
NEWSNTN		20	20	The Hill (N)		On Balance (N)		Cuomo (N)		Dan Abrams		Banfield (N)		Cuomo
PARMT		35	41	TwoM..	TwoM..	TwoM..	TwoM..	♣♣♣♣ Django Unchained ('12) Christoph Waltz, Jamie Foxx.						
PARSHO		221	16	(:05) ♣♣♣♣ Heat ('95)		Robert De Niro, Al Pacino.			♣♣♣ Shooter ('07)			Movie		
TMC		233	74	(:05) ♣ Outlaw Posse ('24)				♣ Out of Darkness ('22)			♣♣♣ The Cave ('05)			Movie
TNT		27	43	(4:15) ♣ Star Wa...		♣♣♣♣ Star Wars: Return of the Jedi ('83)					Rampage (N)		Movie	
USA		26	33	(5:30) C..		NASCAR Xfinity		Fri. Night SmackDown (N) (Live)			Scare		Hysteria! (P)	

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3 WAVE	6	2	WAV..	NBCN..	Big Ten	College Football Iowa at Michigan State (N) (Live)						WAV..	
4 WTTV	4		(3:30) Football		Postga..	Sheldon	NCIS: Origins				48 Hours (N)		CBS4..
5 WLWT	2		News (N)		Big Ten	College Football Iowa at Michigan State (N) (Live)						News	
8 WISH	12		(3:30) Football		NASC..	NASCAR Ambetter Health 302 (N) (Live)				College Football			
9 WCPO	23		(3:30) Fo..	Studio	Studio	College Football Georgia at Texas (N) (Live)						News	
11 WHAS	11	4	(3:30) Fo..	Studio	Studio	College Football Georgia at Texas (N) (Live)						News	
15 WKPC	13		Antiques		TimFa..	RedGr..	Kentuc..	Ky.Afi..	♣♣♣♣ The Truman Show ('98)			Austin	
19 WXIX	10		(4:00) College Football			College Football Kansas State at West Virginia (N) (Live)						TBA	
32 WLKY	5	5	(3:30) Football		Postga..	Jeopar..	NCIS: Origins			48 Hours (N)		News	
34 WBKI	7	7	(3:30) Football		NASC..	NASCAR Ambetter Health 302 (N) (Live)				College Football			
41 WDRB	8	9	(4:00) College Football			College Football Kansas State at West Virginia (N) (Live)						Floor	
A&E	28	36	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage
AMC	29	26	♣♣♣ Final Destination 5 ('11)				♣♣♣ Final Destination				♣♣♣ Final Destination 3		
COM	45	59	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	♣♣ Blended ('14)		
DISC	31	38	Expedition		Expedition		Expedition		Expedition		Expedition		Expedi..
DISN	25	29	Big City	Big City	Big City	Big City	♣♣♣ Hocus Pocus ('93)			(:10) Kiff		Hamst..	Phineas
ESPN	32	44	(3:30) Fo..	Scoreb..	College Football		LSU at Arkansas (N) (Live)			Scoreb..		College Football	
FREE	18	40	(4:30) ♣ Pirates of the Caribbean: A...				(:15) ♣♣♣ Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides ('11)						
FX	40	28	(5:30) ♣ Haunted Mansion		♣♣♣ Haunted Mansion ('23)						♣♣♣ Hocus Pocus ('93)		
HBO	201	17	(:10) ♣ X ('21) Terence J Corbett.				♣♣♣ MaXXXine ('24) (P)		(:45) Penguin		TBA		Penguin
MAX	270	73	Movie		(:25) ♣♣♣ Red Dawn ('84)		♣♣♣♣ Everest ('15) Jason Clarke.			♣♣♣ San Andreas ('15)			
NEWSNTN	20	20	NewsNation (N)		NewsNation (N)		NewsNation (N)		NewsNation (N)		NewsNation		NewsN..
PARMT	35	41	(4:35) ♣ Top Gun: Maverick				(:35) ♣♣♣♣ Top Gun ('86) Tom Cruise.			(:05) ♣ Top Gun: Maverick			
PARSHO	221	16	(5:15) ♣ No Country for O...				♣♣♣♣ The Godfather ('72) Marlon Brando.				♣ Godfather, P...		
TMC	233	74	(5:40) ♣ The Talented Mr. Ripley				♣♣♣♣ Primal Fear ('96)			(:10) ♣ Lincoln Lawyer			
TNT	27	43	(4:55) ♣ Star Wars: Revenge of the ...				All Elite Wrestling: Collision (N)			Wrestling		Movie	
USA	26	33	(4:30) N..		♣♣♣ The Fast and the Furious			(:45) ♣♣♣ 2 Fast 2 Furious ('03)				Movie	

		Jefferson Switzerland	Trimble/ Carroll	SUNDAY EVENING										
				6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10	10:30	11
3	WAVE	6	2	WAV..	NBCN..	Football (N)		(:15) Football New York Jets at Pittsburgh Steelers (N) (Live)						
4	WTTV	4		(4:00) Football		60 Minutes (N)		Tracker (N)		Equalizer (SP)		Neighb.. CBS4..		
5	WLWT	2		News	NBCN..	Football (N)		(:15) Football New York Jets at Pittsburgh Steelers (N) (Live)						
8	WISH	12		News	VeryV..	Penn & Teller		The Chosen "Humble" (N) (SF)			News	Sports	News	
9	WCPO	23		News	World..	Videos (N)		*** Hocus Pocus ('93)			Bruce (N)		News	
11	WHAS	11	4	World..	News	Videos (N)		*** Hocus Pocus ('93)			Bruce (N)		News	
15	WKPC	13		Last/..	KeepUp	Last Tango		Ridley (N)		Moonflower (N)		Van (N) (SF)		Nina
19	WXIX	10		(4:25) NFL Football		The OT		Univer..	Simpso..	Burgers	Krapo..	FOX19 (N)		FOX19
32	WLKY	5	5	CBSN..	WLK..	60 Minutes (N)			Tracker (N)		Equalizer (SP)		Neighb..	News
34	WBKI	7	7	BigBa..	BigBa..	Penn & Teller		The Chosen "Humble" (N) (SF)			The Grand		ModF..	
41	WDRB	8	9	(4:25) NFL Football		The OT		Univer..	Simpso..	Burgers	Krapo..	News (N) (Live)		News
A&E		28	36	The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		First48
AMC		29	26	(5:00) * Halloween		*** Friday the 13th ('80)				Daryl Dixon (N)		(:20) Daryl Dixon		
COM		45	59	SouthP..	SouthP..	SouthP..	SouthP..	SouthP..	SouthP..	SouthP..	SouthP..	Family..	Family..	Family..
DISC		31	38	Homestead		Homestead		Homestead (N)		Homestead Rescue			Homes..	
DISN		25	29	Big City	Big City	Big City	Big City	***** Inside Out ('15)		ZOM..	ZOM..	ZOM..	Primos	
ESPN		32	44	(5:00) NWSL		Countdown (N)		2024 WNBA Finals			SportCtr (N)		SportC..	
FREE		18	40	(5:05) * Haunted Mansion		(:45) *** Cruella ('21) Emma Thompson, Emma Stone.							Movie	
FX		40	28	(4:30) * Pirates of the Caribbean: A...		*** Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides							Movie	
HBO		201	17	Penguin	(:55) Penguin	(:55) Penguin "Cent'anni"		The Penguin (N)		Franch..	Franch..	Penguin		
MAX		270	73	(:(25) *** The Losers ('10)				* Scott Pilgrim vs. the W...		(:55) *** Up in the Air ('09)				
NEWSNTN		20	20	NewsNation (N)		NewsNation (N)		NewsNation (N)		NewsNation (N)		NewsNation		NewsN..
PARMT		35	41	(5:35) * John Wick: Chapter 3 -- Parabellum		(:25) *** John Wick ('14)							* John Wick: ...	
PARSHO		221	16	Movie	* The Girl in the Pool			Lioness		Dexter		Movie		
TMC		233	74	(5:55) *** Sahara ('05)				* Last Voyage of the Demeter			*** Talk to Me ('22)			
TNT		27	43	(4:45) * Star Wars: The Last Jedi		*** Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker ('19)								
USA		26	33	Law-SVU		Law-S.. (:50) Law-SVU		(:40) Law-SVU		Law-S.. (:20) Law-SVU		Law-S..		



THE Daily Commuter Puzzle

by Stella Zawistowski

ACROSS

1 Gets set

6 Shaken percussion instruments

13 Bound tightly

15 Unrelenting

16 Goes to

18 Breakfast alcove

19 George Bernard

20 Family car type

22 Fight tooth and

23 Ran into

24 2018 Alfonso Cuarón film

25 "Haha!": Abbr.

26 Neighborhood

28 Feels sick

29 \_\_\_ Raton, Florida

32 The N in USNA

32 Fried chicken serving

34 Slow-crawling creature

35 Boxing matches

36 Team

37 Stitch together loosely

38 Rough up

39 Vessels for sauteing

40 Real-estate sign

44 Singer DiFranco

45 Lasting a while

46 The P in RPM

47 \_\_\_-Alt-Del

49 Duck with down

51 Basic heredity unit

52 New Jersey river

54 Relies (on)

56 Drink recipe unit: 2 wds.

57 Uses a blender

58 Old West bars

59 Towel fabric

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3 Fancy home

4 "We made it!"

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# SIGNINGS OF THE TIMES

**BY EDDIE PELLIS**  
AP NATIONAL WRITER

The time-honored tradition of high school athletes proudly sitting behind a table and signing a national letter of intent is a thing of the past. In its place starting in a matter of weeks, athletes will ink their name to something different — a financial aid package that will likely be tied to a revenue-sharing contract.

Coaches reacted with a mix of shock and confusion to the latest end of business as usual in college sports. The NCAA announced the death of the letter of intent last week on the same day it introduced a newly condensed schedule for signing players out of the transfer portal.

“There’s been so much going on, so many moving pieces in the middle of our season, that quite honestly, myself and a bunch of our colleagues, we have no idea what the heck is going on,” Kentucky football coach Mark Stoops said after hearing about the latest changes.

All the changes are, in some way, related to the antitrust settlement a federal judge conditionally approved last week that will result in universities paying their athletes directly through a revenue-sharing program. And that stems from a series of legal and legislative rulings that have allowed college athletes to make money on the use of their name, image and likeness (NIL) since July 2021.

With no national law to pull things together, and with the NCAA’s rulemaking authority gutted by the courts, a group called the Conference Commissioners Association, which has looked over letters of intent for decades, made the recommendation to do away with them for good.

What was the national letter of intent and why did it matter?

National letters of intent date to 1964 and used to be a rite of passage, a sign that a player had “made it.” They were a player’s signed word



Lakeside High School’s Rashad Roundtree signs a letter of intent on national signing day on Feb. 4, 2015, at Lakeside High School in Evans, Ga.

that he or she would play for at least one year at a certain university.

When players started being able to earn money in 2021, and when they became able to transfer without as many restrictions as in the past, the letters became less important than the financial arrangements that accompanied them, including terms of the NIL deals the players were signing through third parties that supported their soon-to-be school.

Now that the schools are headed toward paying players directly, instead of signing the letter, the players will sign a financial aid agreement that will likely be paired with a contract dictating the terms of their revenue-sharing agreement.

Michael LeRoy, a labor law professor at Illinois familiar with college athletics, said the changes will have an impact. He predicted that bidding for transfers will be less active — and lucrative — when revenue sharing becomes a primary focus for schools and NIL deals will become more “limited to an athlete’s intrinsic brand or marketing value.”

The change also comes as college athletes, notably in California and New Hampshire, seek to be recognized as school employees with the right to collectively bargain for pay and benefits — a proposal schools are fighting in court.

“It’s amazing to see that the faster and farther the NCAA runs away from employment, and even ‘pay-to-play,’ the more their work-arounds create a direct financial relationship with their athletes that looks like employment,” LeRoy said.

The new rules prohibit other schools from recruiting a player once the player has signed that aid agreement.

Players used to be able to sign aid letters with more than one school, then make sure the NIL money (or other factors) were lined up for their first choice.

Since details of the lawsuit settlement won’t be finalized until spring, it means revenue sharing won’t officially be allowed when the early signing period for football opens on Dec. 4. NIL deals are still allowed,

though players won’t be able to back away from the school they sign with, whether next month (for most sports), on Dec. 4 (early football) or on national signing day for football, which is Feb. 5.

“We’re getting blown up by recruits and we don’t have any answers for them,” Missouri football coach Eli Drinkwitz said. “We don’t have answers for the settlement, we don’t have answers for (NIL), we don’t have answers for National Letter of Intent. We don’t have a lot of answers right now on the portal.”

What’s new with the transfer portal and why does that matter?

Since it started becoming exponentially easier for players to transfer, the numbers game has grown more difficult for coaches. They have to figure out how many players are returning, how many are leaving, how many are coming from other schools and how many are coming from high school. Many have responded by adding general managers

and beefing up their personnel departments.

While the transfer portal has been viewed as something of a necessary evil of the open market, without rules to strictly regulate it, it has turned into something of a free-for-all. Coaches say roster tampering is not uncommon.

Trimming the amount of time the portal is open by 15 days is not certain to bring more order to roster building.

“I don’t know that I totally buy into the exact dates,” said Kansas coach Bill Self, acknowledging concerns that the basketball period that begins after the second round of March Madness will shrink the time for players on Sweet 16 teams to decide.

Some football coaches were hoping to eliminate the spring window completely, but there will still be 10 days in April where players can enter the portal.

“My hope is that some of this stuff will start to come to fruition sooner

than later, so you have an idea of how to move forward,” TCU football coach Sonny Dykes said. “Because it’s like anything. If you don’t, the people that are going to suffer are going to be the players.”

How will roster limits impact all of this?

Ultimately, all these changes impact how a coach builds a roster. Under terms of the lawsuit settlement, they will now work with roster limits (105 players for football, 15 for basketball) instead of scholarships (85 for football, 13 for men’s basketball).

Each school will have to decide what it can afford. Last week, for instance, Michigan athletic director Warde Manuel sent a letter to fans saying if the school offered scholarships for all the spots available under the new limits, it would add \$29 million to the \$21 million in revenue-sharing funds Michigan plans to distribute to its athletes.

Even wealthy schools like Michigan do not have millions of dollars readily available to pay athletes. Manuel hinted at fans needing an “openness to developing new revenue streams”, in what sounded like a suggestion that fans might be coughing up more money in the future. Tennessee is already planning that step with a “talent fee” for 2025 football season ticket renewals.

Dykes said the new roster limits will change everything from how he runs practice to the kind of developmental player he’d be willing to take a chance on.

“It’s complicated, I understand, and there’s a lot of possibilities and opportunities,” Dykes said. “But you want the players ultimately to be taken care of. You just hope that those decision-makers keep that in mind.”

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COUNTY OF JEFFERSON IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF MINOR:  
Wyatt Allen Kraig Phillips.  
Meaghan Geyman, Petitioner  
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Dated: 9/26/24  
*/s/ Tabatha Eblen*  
Clerk, Circuit Court

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COUNTY OF JEFFERSON TERRY SPARKS and SUSAN SPARKS, Plaintiffs, VS LISA LUMPFORD, Defendant.  
**SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION**  
TO: Lisa Lumpford  
Whereabouts Unknown  
THE STATE OF INDIANA to the above person named as Defendant and any other person who may be concerned.  
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that you have been sued in the court above named by the persons named as Plaintiffs. The nature of the suit is a complaint for trespass, negligence, and injunctive relief. The complaint was filed on August 8, 2024.  
The whereabouts of Lisa Lumpford is unknown.  
If you wish to be apprised of the date of the trial in this matter, you or your attorney must enter an appearance within thirty (30) days after the last notice of this action is published. If you fail to do so, a hearing will be scheduled and held in your absence and you will be bound by the Court's ruling thereon.  
The name and address of the attorney for the Plaintiff is William Joseph Jenner, Jenner, Pattison & Sharpe, 508 East Main Street, Madison, Indiana, 47250, Telephone: (812) 265-5132. Dated at Madison, Indiana, this 15th day of October, 2024.  
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Clerk of the Circuit Court of Jefferson County, IN (seal)  
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# Bowman DQ puts Logano back into playoffs

**BY JENNA FRYER**  
AP AUTO RACING WRITER

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Joey Logano hoped he'd done enough to advance in NASCAR's playoffs with an eighth-place finish at Charlotte Motor Speedway.

But when he left the track Sunday night, he was four points below the cutline and eliminated from any shot at winning a third Cup Series title.

Then came the phone calls: inspection was taking a long time and there could be a problem with one of the play-off cars. All Logano could do was wait and wonder if there truly was something amiss with Alex Bowman's car and if it was egregious enough to push Logano into the round of eight.

"NASCAR, man. Expect the unexpected," Logano said Tuesday. "You just roll with the punches and go with the flow and just continue on. I feel like these days, more and more, there are just crazy things that can happen. I just go with it."

Sure enough, Bowman's car was found to be underweight and he was disqualified. The penalty dropped Bowman in the standings, and as soon as Hendrick Motorsports declined Monday night to appeal, Logano was back in title contention.

"I was honestly surprised. I had heard rumors there was a delay in tech, some of those

things going on. But usually nothing happens," Logano said. "Would be in? That's the first question you have to ask. And then you are still cautiously optimistic, so you just keep going on with your life and prepare for the next race."

That next race is Sunday at Las Vegas Motor Speedway, where Logano is a three-time race winner and has started from the pole three different times.

Logano will race over the next three weeks Team Penske teammate and reigning Cup Series champion Ryan Blaney, the Hendrick Motorsports trio of William Byron, Chase Elliott and Kyle Larson, Joe Gibbs Racing drivers Christopher Bell and Denny Hamlin and Tyler Reddick of 23XI Racing for the four spots in the championship-deciding finale.

Should he emerge as the title winner at Phoenix Raceway in November, Logano will be the only active three-time Cup Series champion in NASCAR. Kyle Busch, who did not make the playoffs, is the only active driver alongside Logano with two titles.

Logano said his No. 22 Ford team will not make any changes to its approach as the team heads to Las Vegas, Homestead-Miami Speedway and Martinsville Speedway in Virginia vying for a spot in the finals.

"Same way if we made it any other way, you go out there



AP Photo/Colin E. Braley

Joey Logano, right, gives autographs before a NASCAR Cup Series auto race at Kansas Speedway in Kansas City, Kan. on Sunday, Sept. 29.

and attack the positives," Logano said. "I feel that we've been steadily getting better and improving throughout the season to where we are now. The speed we had at The Roval looked pretty solid to me, to where we are a championship-four caliber race team."

"The stats may not look like it. We may look like we're

underdogs from the outside looking in, but internally we feel very confident in our race team that we can make a run at this thing and get us into the championship four," Logano continued. "And we've seen in the past where if you can get in there, anything can happen at Phoenix."

It starts Sunday at Las Vegas,

where Logano won the 2022 playoff race that pushed him to his second Cup title. Larson won last year's playoff race at Las Vegas, as well as the spring race there earlier this season.

But Logano likes his odds now that he's been given this second chance.

"We've done it before," he said, "we can do it again."

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David Campbell  
Trimble County's Anna Benecke (14) hammers a shot over Grant County's Jaelyn Hammons (32) during Tuesday's volleyball match in Bedford.

CARROLL

FROM PAGE B1

CARROLL LOSES TO FRANKFORT

Carroll County volleyball lost in two sets at home to Frankfort on Tuesday.

The Panthers lost 25-6, 25-15.  
The Panthers, now 7-18 on the season, closed out the regular season on Wednesday at Williamstown. The 31st District Tournament begins next week. No pairings have been announced.

SOCCER

FROM PAGE B1

different,” Hale said. “The second half was 2-1 which you could definitely see that we played a little bit of a different half in terms of results.”  
Lawrenceburg tacked on two more goals in the second half — one each by Rugg and Peak — before Madison finally got on the board with an Ayler rocket from 30 yards out that just cleared Knippenberg’s hands and across the line.  
The goal was Ayler’s

35th of the season, extending her own single-season school record. She finishes her junior year with 66 goals in two seasons.  
Overall, Lawrenceburg outshot Madison 15-11, including 10-6 on goal. Chatham had four saves in goal for the Cubs and Knippenberg had three saves. The Tigers also had four corner kicks to none for Madison.  
The Cubs graduate four seniors — Chatham, Haileylyn Innamorato, Autumn Ross and Lilli Sullivan — who played in three sectional championship games and won the school’s first title. Hale

said the program will miss the seniors but he also knows the future is bright for the entire Cub program.  
“We wish (our seniors) all the best. They gave four great years to the program and they’ve accomplished quite a bit to including being on the sectional championship team,” Hale said. “But the future also does look really bright, because most of the players are returning that we have. The team gets along really well together, they’re really willing to put the work in. I know we had some conversations

about needing to have a full off season. But for this to turn out the way that it has is really a credit to them in terms of how they’ve been able to work through a lot of change.”  
Lawrenceburg now plays Evansville Mater Dei on Saturday at Heritage Hills High School in Spencer, where the Tigers will look to remain undefeated against in-state programs. Lawrenceburg’s only loss of the season was a 2-1 decision to Harrison (Ohio) on Oct. 1. Mater Dei (16-2) defeated Gibson Southern 5-0 in its regional semifinal.

COLTS

FROM PAGE B2

**STOCK UP**  
Samuel Womack III. All the veteran cornerback has done since being acquired off waivers just before the regular season started is make plays. He’s been a steadying influence for a young position group that has struggled with injuries and consistency. Womack was in coverage on two key, late plays to help seal Sunday’s victory.

**STOCK DOWN**  
Ryan Kelly. Indy’s longtime anchor on the offensive line is a three-time Pro Bowler in search of a contract extension. But after missing the two previous games with a neck injury, he couldn’t finish the Tennessee game because of an injured calf. Rookie Tanor Bortolini, a fourth-round draft pick, has done a solid job replacing Kelly.

**INJURIES**  
Indy begins yet another week hoping Richardson (right hip), Taylor (sprained ankle) and

Kelly can play against Miami. Steichen said Monday he expects Richardson to play after going through pregame warmups each of the past two weeks. Undrafted rookie Dalton Tucker has played well in place of injured right guard Will Fries (lower right leg). And don’t make the mistake of counting out Pittman again this week. Indy also must decide whether to start the 21-day clock for the return of All-Pro defensive tackle DeForest Buckner (sprained ankle) to return from injured reserve.

**KEY NUMBER**  
241 — After allowing each of its first five opponents to finish with 383 or more yards, Indy’s struggling defense held the Titans to 241 yards, a season best for the Colts.

**NEXT STEPS**  
The Colts desperately needed to beat the Titans to stay in the AFC South title chase. With three straight matchups against division leaders following a Week 7 game against struggling Miami (2-3), protecting their home turf this weekend is essential.

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